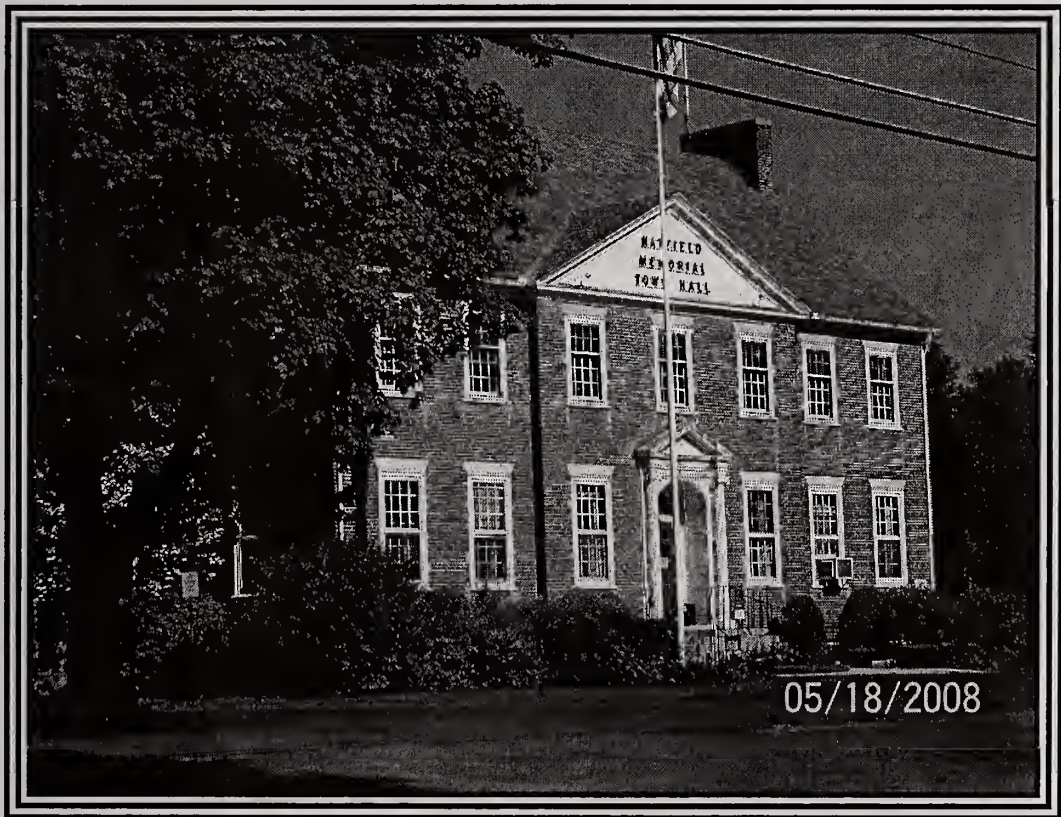


# ANNUAL REPORT

## 2008



TOWN OF HATFIELD  
MASSACHUSETTS

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# *The Athenian Oath*



*We will never bring disgrace to this our town, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks; we will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the town, both alone and with many; we will revere and obey the town's laws and do our best to incite a like respect in those above us who are prone to annul or set them at naught; we will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty, thus in all these ways we will transmit this town not only less, but greater and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us.*



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# **Hatfield, Massachusetts**

## **2008 Annual Town Report**

**INCORPORATED 1670**

<b>AREA</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>ELEVATION</b>
9,300 Acres	132 Feet at Main St.	3386

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**TOWN OF HATFIELD**

**FOR THE**

**FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2008**





THIS YEAR'S TOWN REPORT IS DEDICATED TO THE  
RECREATION COMMITTEE



Pictured above: John Smiarowski, Glenn Zygmunt, Francesca McClellan, and John Woodward  
Not pictured: Nancy Asai, Anna Holhut, and Robert LaFlamme

It is a pleasure to recognize the Recreation Committee for their energy and enthusiasm that goes into making the recreation programs a huge success. A committee made up of individuals, most of them parents, volunteer their time to oversee the registration of participants, recruitment of coaches and referees including, but not limited to, inventory and purchases of equipment. This group also comes to the aid of grooming the fields. With a nominal operating budget and fees generated through enrollment, the committee offers a variety of sports programs throughout the year. In addition, the Recreation Committee provides a summer camp for approximately six weeks.

What is evident in this group is the passion and enjoyment they demonstrate through their efforts.

A tremendous amount of thanks goes out to the Recreation Committee for their dedication and service to the youth of Hatfield.



## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Highlights of Board of Selectmen activity follows:

The Board of Selectmen goals identified for 2008 included:

- Conducting an assessment of town operations
- Assessing municipal requirements for use of Center School
- Adopting town financial policies
- Coordinating with the Board of Health on an organizational change such as regionalizing services or hiring a health agent
- Developing an internal management control program
- Assessing town park and recreational field needs
- Strengthening working relationships with other boards and elected officials
- Planning for Colonial Acres water infiltration and inflow issues
- Assigning Director DPW responsibility for facility master planning

Regarding staff, Mr. Frank Motyka was hired as the new Director, Department of Public Works. After twenty plus years of service, Water Operator Ed “Eddie” Wroblewski retired.

A committee was appointed to conduct a study of the salary and benefits of elected officials. While the various salary and benefit recommendations have been adopted, other recommendations, such as on maintenance of records and the structure of the Board of Health, have yet to be implemented.

Given the decision to retain Center School and explore municipal uses of the property, a group was appointed to examine the issue and provide recommendations. Proposals include using the facility for municipal offices and meetings versus the current Town Hall and for use by the state for expanded senior housing.

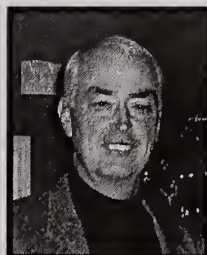
Our state legislative representatives filed legislation under the Environmental Bond Bill to fund a project addressing erosion of a section of the Connecticut River dike. The funds have not yet been released.

The Open Space Committee completed its five year plan. In conjunction with the plan, the committee is to report back on a proposed prioritization and funding required to implement key proposals.

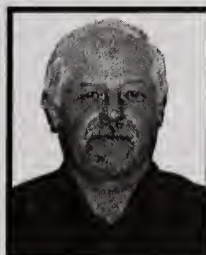
The Local Natural Hazards Assessment Plan was completed, providing a basis for response planning.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Joseph Adamski, Chair  
Marcus J. Boyle  
Darryl Williams



Marcus J. Boyle



Jan Adamski, Chair



Darryl Williams





# ELECTED OFFICIALS as of DECEMBER 31, 2008

Position	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Term	Current Term Expires
Assessor	Lesko, Jr.	Edward	W	3	2009
	Martin	Frederick	A	3	2010
	Punska	Ronald	J	3	2011
Board of Health	Bardwell	A	Cory	3	2010
	Paszek	Ellen	Bokina	3	2011
	Sliwoski	Stanley	J	3	2009
Cemetery Commissioner	Bardwell	Jonathan	W	3	2011
	Lavallee	Joseph	A	3	2009
	Parasiliti	Richard	C	2	2010
Elector, Oliver Smith Will	Szych	Lydia		1	2009
Housing Authority	Balise	Janet	G	5	2011
	Jones	Gerald	E	5	2013
	Labbe	Everett	A	5	2012
	McGrath	Michael	J	5	2010
state appt member	Sliwoski	Stanley	J	5	2011
Library Trustee	Antonetti	Nina		3	2011
	Gaudet	Dodie		3	2009
	Green	Melissa	B	3	2010
Moderator	Lavallee	Joseph	A	3	2011
Planning Board	Bardwell	A	Cory	5	2011
	Bartlett, Jr.	Robert	T	5	2010
	Dostal	Paul	S	5	2012
	Schurch	Gregory	C	5	2013
	Winters	C	Gregory	5	2009
Redevelopment Authority	Cahill	J	Michael	5	2013
	Green	Harold	F	1	2009
	Lesko, Jr	Edward	W	4	2012
	Paszek	Michael	F	2	2010
state appt member	Rossmassler	Thomas	B S	3	2010
School Committee	Englehardt	Catherine	J	3	2011
	Lafond	Elizabeth		3	2011
	Moriarty	Brian	R	3	2009
	Roberts	Abigail	C	1	2009
	Sassi	Linda	J	3	2010
Selectman	Adamski	Jan	J	3	2009
	Boyle	Marcus	J	3	2010
	Williams	Darryl	L	3	2011
Town Clerk	Slysz	G	Louise	3	2011
Town Collector	Chmura	Marie	A	3	2011
Treasurer	Slysz	G	Louise	3	2011

# APPOINTED OFFICIALS as of DECEMBER 31, 2008

			Term	Term Expires						Term	Term Expires
<i>Accountant</i>											
Lyons	Michael										
<i>ADA Committee</i>											
Michonski	Marlene		1	2009	Sadowski	Stanley		1	2009		
Motyka	Frank		1	2009	Vacancy					2009	
<i>Agricultural Advisory Board</i>											
Belden	Richard		3	2010	Powell	Russell		3	2011		
Malinowski	Richard		3	2010	Wagner	Robert		3	2011		
Pease	John		1	2009							
<i>Animal Control Officer</i>											
Pomeroy	Scott		1	2009							
<i>Board of Registrars</i>											
Bardwell	Helen	H	3	2009	Kuchyt	Ruth		3	2010		
Dostal	Eileen	J	3	2011	Slysz	G	Louise				
<i>Cable Advisory Committee</i>											
Cocks	Peter		3	2009	Rakelbusch	Peter		3	2010		
Daniels	Gordon		3	2010	Stein	Mark		3	2009		
Garrett	Richard		3	2010							
<i>Capital Improvement Planning Committee</i>											
Boyle	Marcus	J	1	2009	Moriarty	Brian		1	2009		
Gaughan	Patrick		1	2009	Paszek	Michael		1	2009		
Lorenzo	Tyrone		1	2009							
<i>Center School Municipal Use Working Group</i>											
Hurley	Lynda				Punska	Ronald					
Moriarty	Brian	F			Slysz	Louise					
Petcen	Paul	R			Spellacy	Francis					
<i>Community Preservation Committee</i>											
Ashley	George				Wagner	Robert					
Bardwell	A	Cory			Wilkes	John	T				
Cocks	Peter				Woodward	John					
McGrath	Michael				Bartlett	Michael					
Sassi	Ronald										
<i>Conservation Committee</i>											
Antosz, Jr	Michael		3	2011	Sassi	Ronald		3	2011		
Bardwell	A.	Cory	3	2010	Williams	Gordon	O	3	2009		
Davis	Paul		3	2009	Vacancy					2010	
Klepacki	Teresa		3	2009							
<i>Constable</i>											
Osley	Thomas		3	2011							
<i>Council on Aging</i>											
Hurley	David	M	3	2011	Wright	Angela		3	2010		
Tefft	Kathleen	B	3	2011	Zygmont	Amanda		3	2009		
Sadowski	Cynthia		1	2009							
<i>DPW Director</i>											
Motyka	Frank	L	0								
<i>Elderly &amp; Disabled Taxation Fund Comm</i>											
Lesko Jr	Edward	J	1	2009	Slysz	G	Louise	1	2009		
Orson	Virginia		1	2009	Smarz	Dorothy		1	2009		



			Term	Term Expires				Term	Term Expires
<i>Emergency Management Committee</i>									
Belden	William		1	2009	Michonski	Marlene		1	2009
Betsold	Jane		1	2009	Motyka	Frank		1	2009
Bokina	Ellen		1	2009	Osley	Thomas		1	2009
Donaldson	Robert		1	2009	Sadowski	Cynthia		1	2009
Gagnon	Gregory		1	2009	Venne	Rene Jr		1	2009
Kellogg	Charles		1	2009	Williams	Darryl		1	2009
Lesko, Jr	Edward	W	1	2009	Davis	Wilma		1	2009
<i>Emergency Management Director</i>									
Donaldson	Robert		1	2009					
<i>Fire Chief</i>									
Belden	William		2	2010					
<i>Hampshire Reg Emerg Planning Comm</i>									
Donaldson	Robert		1	2009					
Motyka	Frank		1	2009					
<i>Historical Commission</i>									
Antonetti	Martin		3	2011	Omasta	Lynn		3	2010
Ashley	George		3	2010	VACANCY				2009
Martin	Frederick		3	2011					
<i>Inspector of Animals</i>									
Pomeroy	R	Scott	1	2009					
<i>Inspector of Buildings</i>									
Sadowski	Stanley		3	2010	<i>Inspector, Bldg Asst</i>				
					Szewczyk	Stanley		1	2009
<i>Inspector, Gas&amp;Plumbing</i>									
Geryk	Walter		1	2009	<i>Inspector, Plumbing Asst</i>				
					Cichy	Malcolm		1	2009
<i>Inspector, Electrical</i>									
Symanski	Stanley		1	2009	<i>Inspector, Electrical Asst</i>				
					Lizek	David		1	2009
<i>Library Facilities Needs Assessment Committee</i>									
Howard	Milton				Green	Harold			
Omasta	Lynn				Paszek	Michael			
Williams	Mary				Gaughan	Susan			
McCormick	Sheila				Gaudet	Dodie			
Antonetti	Martin								
<i>Local Cultural Council</i>									
Graves	Carol		3	2009	Rakelbusch	Peter		3	2011
Hillard	Maureen		3	2009	Winings	Sally		2	2010
Martin	Frederick		3	2010					
<i>Open Space Committee</i>									
Cocks	Peter		3	2009	Gelotte	Mark		3	2011
Coffey	Michael		3	2009	Kellogg	Charles		2	2010
Dewey	Angelica	R	3	2011	Touloumtzis	Steven		3	2010
					VACANCY			0	
<i>Pioneer Valley Planning Committee</i>									
Bartlett	Robert	T	1	2009	Boyle	Marcus	J	1	2009
<i>Police, Chief</i>									
Osley	Thomas	J	3	2010					
<i>Police Officers</i>									
Hebert	Michael		3	2010	Sampson	David	A	3	2010
Paciorek	Timothy	M	3	2010	Sampson	Thomas	H	2	2010
Purcell	James	G	3	2010	Vandoloski	Raymond		3	2011
Romano	Michael	A	3	2010	Warner	Daniel		3	2011

			Term	Term Expires				Term	Term Expires
<i>Recreation Committee</i>									
Asai	Nancy		3	2009	Smiarowski	John		3	2009
Holhut	Anna		3	2010	Woodward	John	T	3	2009
LaFlamme	Robert	G	3	2011	Zygmunt	Glenn		2	2010
McClellan	Francesca		2	2010					
<i>Recreational Space Study Group</i>									
Bruscoe	Stephen				Webb	Sherry			
Hoffmann	Christopher				Williams	Darryl			
Omasta	Lynn								
<i>Right to Know</i>									
Board of Health			1	2009					
<i>School Building Remediation Committee</i>									
Gaughan	Patrick	J			Richardson	Gary			
Gelotte	Mark				Slysz	G.	Louise		
Moriarty	Brian		0						
<i>Veterans' Agent</i>									
Connor	Steven		1	2009					
<i>Veterans Commemorative Comm</i>									
Balise	Kenneth		1	2009	Mooney	Richard		1	2009
Cutter	Robert	J	1	2009	Nicholas	Bryan	O	1	2009
Jaworski, Jr	Edmund	E	1	2009					
<i>Zoning Board of Appeals</i>									
Gaughan	Patrick	J.	3	2010	Paszek	Michael		5	2013
Martin	Frederick	A.	4	2011	Stoddard	Laurence P		5	2012
Nicholas	Bryan	O	5	2009					

## APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR as of DECEMBER 31, 2008

			Term	Term Expires			
<i>Finance Committee</i>							
Armstrong	Alan		2	2010			
Belden	Sanford	A	3	2011			
Carroll	Veronica		1	2009			
Lorenzo	Tyrone		3	2011			
Szynal	Diana	M	1	2009			

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### In Account with the Town of Hatfield JULY 1, 2007 TO JUNE 30, 2008

Cash Book Balance July 1, 2007	2,967,268.94
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Receipts	
July 2007	1,228,820.86
August 2007	736,141.44
September 2007	751,113.19
October 2007	852,866.27
November 2007	854,949.23
December 2007	445,460.48
January 2008	850,965.33
February 2008	1,191,492.26
March 2008	703,369.02
April 2008	775,825.18
May 2008	794,605.73
June 2008	884,714.30
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>10,070,323.29</b>

Disbursements	
July 2007	1,458,642.82
August 2007	820,617.21
September 2007	574,417.16
October 2007	753,459.98
November 2007	719,659.35
December 2007	558,032.88
January 2008	899,065.01
February 2008	496,657.33
March 2008	692,417.23
April 2008	844,338.59
May 2008	556,520.27
June 2008	737,735.59
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b><u>9,111,563.42</u></b>

Cash Book Balance June 30, 2008	3,926,028.81
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### ANALYSIS OF CASH June 30, 2008

General Cash	2,133,423.22
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#### Trust Funds/Other Accounts

Ambulance	15,160.88
Anniversary Trust	4,696.26
Boli, Maude Morton	55,427.72
Cemetery Perpetual Care	98,479.72
Graduation Trust Fund	136,089.05
Slysz, Michael R. Memorial Fund	10,031.22
Smith Academy Student Activities	85,140.67
Stabilization Fund	408,909.17
Stabilization Capital Fund	47,249.96
Tobacco Shed Maintenance Trust	12,679.94
Unemployment Fund	<u>20,311.38</u>

Total Trust Fund	894,175.97
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Total Cash	3,926,028.81
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**INTEREST INCOME****Fiscal Year 2008**

General Cash	80,842.99
Local Cultural Council	12.95
Bachand Tile Escrow	11.06
Library Grant	413.94

**Trust Funds**

Ambulance	635.68
Anniversary Trust	201.51
Boli, Maude Morton	2,378.40
Cemetery Perpetual Care	4,811.70
Community Preservation Fund	1,663.40
Graduation Award	5,715.26
Slysz, Michael R.	430.44
Smith Academy Student Activities Account	1,290.83
Stabilization Fund	17,547.29
Stabilization Capital Fund	2,004.32
Tobacco Shed Maintenance Trust	544.09
Unemployment Fund	1,237.37

**TOTAL INTEREST INCOME**

119,741.23

**TRUST FUNDS/OTHER ACCOUNTS****Ambulance Fund**

Balance June 30, 2008	15,160.88
Balance July 1, 2007	14,055.20
Deposits	470.00
Withdrawals	-
Interest	635.68
Other	

**Anniversary Trust**

Balance June 30, 2008	4,696.26
Balance July 1, 2007	4,494.75
Interest	201.51

**Maude Morton Boli Alumna Fund**

Balance June 30, 2008	55,427.72
Balance July 1, 2007	53,049.32
Withdrawals	-
Interest	2,378.40

**Cemetery Perpetual Care**

Balance June 30, 2008	98,479.72
Balance July 1, 2007	93,218.02
Deposits	450.00
Interest	4,811.70
In account with the Town of Hatfield Comm. of Mass. Account	300.00
New Perpetual Care Accounts Richard Kukucka Plot	450.00

# Graduation Awards

Balance June 30, 2008		136,089.05	
Balance July 1, 2007	128,553.17		
Deposits	6,903.01		
Interest	5,715.26		
Disbursements	5,082.39		
<u>Non-expendible Trust Balance</u>			
Adams, John and Christine	1,000.00	Kempisty, Jean	2,000.00
Betsold, Henry	6,916.23	Kochan, Frank	2,825.00
Boyle, Martha Pelissier	2,135.00	Lesukoski, John	1,000.00
Class of 1976	300.00	Malinowski, Stanley, Stanley Jr, Albina	5,000.00
Class of 1977	471.64	Moczulewski, Maxwell	5,100.00
Class of 1986	1,180.13	Mokrecki, Sophie	1,078.23
Cutter, Carol	7,506.00	Novak, Suzanne	2,615.00
Demers, Brenda	905.44	Osley, Brenda	1,889.88
Denn, Maureen	1,896.37	Potyrala, Edward	2,340.00
Garstka, John and Helen	14,889.86	Ryan, Robert	6,000.00
Hatfield Fyfe & Drum Corp	500.00	Skarzynski, John	1,000.00
Hatfield Lions Club Thaddeus "Ted" Kabat Awards	25,522.70	Smiarowski, Teddy	1,525.00
Hatfield Soccer Association	1,757.72	SA Athletic-Strong, Herman	875.00
Hillard, Stephen	1,001.00	Women's Club of the Holy Trinity Church	525.00
Kaiser, Adolph and Anna	5,750.00	Zembiski, Patricia	650.00
Kaiser, Alfred	5,775.00		

**GRADUATION AWARDS  
FY08 ACTIVITY**

	7/1/2007				6/30/2008
	BALANCE	DEPOSITS	INTEREST	WITHDRAWALS	BALANCE
Adams, John & Christine	1,022.35	-	44.64	50.00	1,016.99
Barker, Daniel and Sharon	2,226.99	-	94.28	100.00	2,221.27
Bell, Tyler Scott	1,739.78	-	75.93	100.00	1,715.71
Betsold, Henry	7,516.55	220.00	336.88	300.00	7,773.43
Bokina, Henry and Aurela	4,722.42	-	201.11	-	4,923.53
Boyle, Martha Pelissier	2,171.44	-	94.82	107.45	2,158.81
Class of 1976	319.65	-	13.93	25.00	308.58
Class of 1977	484.45	-	21.15	25.00	480.60
Class of 1986	1,255.40	-	54.84	50.00	1,260.24
Cutter, Carol	9,468.67	-	414.00	250.00	9,632.67
Demers, Brenda	957.09	-	41.78	50.00	948.87
Denn, Maureen	1,980.65	-	86.48	100.00	1,967.13
Garstka, John & Helen	14,591.71	-	638.53	179.00	15,051.24
Hatfield Fyfe & Drum Corp	525.11	-	22.91	35.00	513.02
Hatfield Lions Club Thaddeus "Ted" Kabat Awards	25,692.85	1,000.00	1,104.81	1,000.00	26,797.66
Hatfield Soccer Association	1,881.83	-	82.28	50.00	1,914.11
Hillard, Stephen	1,075.91	-	46.98	50.00	1,072.89
Kaiser, Alfred	5,873.57	-	256.46	290.65	5,839.38
Kaiser, Adolph & Anna	5,848.14	-	255.35	289.39	5,814.10
Kempisty, Jean	2,034.14	-	88.81	100.00	2,022.95
Kochan, Frank	2,966.69	-	129.66	100.00	2,996.35
Lesukoski, John	1,017.07	-	44.44	40.00	1,021.51
Malinowski, Stanley, Stanley Jr, Albina S.	-	5,000.00	109.61	55.47	5,054.14
Moczulewski, Maxwell	5,085.34	100.00	223.77	250.00	5,159.11
Mullins, James     Unsung Hero	3,012.06	250.00	134.23	400.00	2,996.29
Mokrecki, Sophie	1,034.40	100.00	45.11	90.00	1,089.51
Novak, Suzanne	2,507.45	210.00	112.55	100.00	2,730.00
Ostley, Brenda	1,922.13	-	83.93	95.11	1,910.95
Potyrala, Edward	3,211.32	-	140.50	50.00	3,301.82
Ryan, Robert	6,102.41	-	266.46	300.00	6,068.87
Skarzynski, John	1,017.07	-	44.40	50.32	1,011.15
Smiarowski, Teddy	1,551.26	23.01	67.70	100.00	1,541.97
Smith Academy Athletic Scholarship (Herman Strong)	921.30	-	39.11	50.00	910.41
Theberge, Peter	5,614.38	-	245.34	200.00	5,659.72
Women's Club	534.21	-	23.32	25.00	532.53
Zembiski, Patricia	667.38	-	29.16	25.00	671.54
<b>Totals</b>	<b>128,553.17</b>	<b>6,903.01</b>	<b>5,715.26</b>	<b>5,082.39</b>	<b>136,089.05</b>



**Michael R. Slys Memorial Fund**

Balance June 30, 2008		
Balance July 1, 2007	9,600.78	
Interest	430.44	
Deposits	-	10,031.22
Non-expendible balance	-	

**Smith Academy Student Activities Account**

Balance June 30, 2008		
Balance July 1, 2007	85,971.88	
Deposits	64,467.75	
Withdrawals	66,589.79	85,140.67
Interest	1,290.83	

**Stabilization Capital Fund**

Balance June 30, 2008		
Balance July 1, 2007	5,245.64	
Deposits	40,000.00	
Withdrawals	0.00	47,249.96
Interest	2,004.32	

**Stabilization Fund**

Balance June 30, 2008		
Balance July 1, 2007	316,526.70	
Deposits	85,804.18	
Withdrawals	10,969.00	408,909.17
Interest	17,547.29	

Appropriated, unexpended  
12/9/2004 Billings Way

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**Tobacco Shed Maintenance Trust**

Balance June 30, 2008		12,679.94
Balance July 1, 2007	12,135.85	
Withdrawals	0.00	
Interest	544.09	

**Unemployment Fund**

Balance June 30, 2008		20,311.38
Balance July 1, 2007	36,496.36	
Deposits	0.00	
Withdrawals	17,422.35	
Interest	1,237.37	

# TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS

## July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

Assessed Owner	Location or Map/Lot	Balance	New Accts	Abated Disclaimed	Payment	Payment	Balance
		7/1/07	Subsequent	Foreclosed	Tax Title	Add'l Interest	6/30/08
B & M Railroad Guilford Trans	Depot Rd Map 206 Lot 59	5,424.61			5424.61	792.18	0.00
Blake, Vivienne V.	Old Stage Rd. Map 218 Lot 13		212.95				212.95
Emeny, George	320 West St.-Map 206 Lot 8	12,126.88			12,126.88	4,744.83	0.00
*Holich, Estate of John	186 No. Hatfield Rd. Map 1 Lot 69	22,947.37	5,348.99		3,148.44	5,851.56	25,147.92
Holich, Martin W.	Plain Rd Map 211 Lot 7	11,117.56	3,362.59				14,480.15
Holich, Martin W.	Pantry Rd Map 207 Lot 53		12,596.88				12,596.88
Holich, Martin W.	Plain Rd Map 211 Lot 5		7,500.26				7,500.26
Holich, Martin W.	Plain Rd Map 211 Lot 6		1,109.36				1,109.36
Kusekowski, Edward	West St Map 206 Lot 15	1,139.92	172.20				1,312.12
Kusekowski, Edward	West St Map 206 Lot 38	189.01	10.70				199.71
Owner Unknown	Map 219 Lot 16	12,488.65	704.73				13,193.38
Owner Unknown	Map 210 Lot 15	9,647.79	767.52				10,415.31
Owner Unknown	Map 207 Lot 27	8,753.32	526.43				9,279.75
**Owner Unknown	Map 208 Lot 17	885.70		885.70			0.00
**Owner Unknown	Map 316 Lot 14	718.70		718.70			0.00
Pelis, David	14 Chestnut St Map 221 Lot 31	27,886.82	6,375.87				34,262.69
Pfeiffer, Hazel	313 West St-Map 206 lot 17	9,562.43	901.63				10,464.06
**Quigg, Joseph	Map 210 Lot 54	742.84		742.84			0.00
Ralph's Blacksmith Shop	Linseed Rd Map 216 Lot 31	3,243.24	850.50				4,093.74
Rogaleski/Mendonca	25 parcels-Kellogg Hill	11,901.77					11,901.77
Taylor, Joseph Raymond	34 King St Map 214 Lot 65	12,001.65	2,691.54				14,693.19
Zvach, Katherine	20 North Hatfield Rd Map 211 Lot 51	928.10			928.10	36.81	0.00
<b>Balances</b>		<b>151,706.36</b>	<b>43,132.15</b>	<b>2,347.24</b>	<b>21,628.03</b>	<b>11,425.38</b>	<b>170,863.24</b>

\*Filed in Land Court for foreclosure

\*\*Foreclosed under Land of Low Value-now town owned

Respectfully submitted,  
G. Louise Slys  
Treasurer

## WAGE REPORT - CALENDAR 2008 EARNINGS

This listing includes all employees who received wages during calendar 2008. The gross salary is for the calendar year. Please note that the rate of pay for most town employees is based on the fiscal year, July 1-June 30, while teachers' salaries are for the contract year, September 1 – August 31. While most positions are funded through taxation, some are funded through federal and state grants, or by fees paid by the participants.

<i>NAME</i>	<i>POSITION</i>	<i>WAGES</i>
Abarno, Frank E.	Basketball Timer	1,451.00
Adamski, Jan	Selectman	2,135.29
Andrews, Joseph	Firefighter	704.50
Andrus, Julie A.	Recreation Director	1,397.88
Andrus, Julie A.	Teacher, Teacher's Aide, Substitute, Stipend, Summer Program	16,963.43
Antosz, Jason M.	Firefighter	946.25
April, Michael J.	Teacher, Stipend	63,257.92
Baranoski, Angie R.	School Teacher, Stipend	58,556.58
Bardwell, A. Cory	Board of Health	4,400.00
Bardwell, A. Cory	Planning Board	400.00
Bardwell Helen H.	Registrar of Voters	448.16
Bardwell, Jonathan	Fire Captain, Firefighter	5,564.25
Barrows, Sara	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	26,827.08
Bartlett, Robert T. Jr.	Planning Board	400.00
Belden, Allen W.	Firefighter	1,105.50
Belden, Jean M.	Assessors Clerk	16,075.46
Belden, Jean M.	Election Worker	64.00
Belden, William A.	Fire Chief	44,218.78
Belden, William A.	Ambulance EIMT	343.17
Benson, Patricia J.	Teacher, Substitute Teacher	7,370.28
Betsold, Elaine M.	Election Worker	300.00
Betsold, Jane M.	Council on Aging Director	31,163.12
Bishop, Peter E.	Teacher, Stipend	52,148.22
Blanchard, Karen G.	School Secretary	24,330.48
Bokina-Paszek, Ellen M.	Board of Health	4,590.00
Boyce, Gregory	Police, Police Community Grant	2,122.20
Boyce, Gregory	Police Private Duty	5,326.50
Boyle, Marcus J.	Selectman	2,065.00
Boyle-Braun, Christelle	Teacher, Stipend, Tutor	45,907.28
Bradford, Ellyn J.	School Lunch	5,314.72
Braman, Amy	School Paraprofessional	12,333.57
Broussard, Nancy	School Lunch	8,767.32
Brzozowski, Lauren	Recreation Counselor	1,175.63
Brzozowski, Rita	Election Worker	302.64
Burt, Kenneth C.	School Custodian	27,581.86
Carmody, Ellen F.	Teacher, Preschool, Summer Program	41,422.85
Case, Emily	Teacher, Stipend	57,054.81
Chapin, Jennifer L.	School Principal	75,895.49
Charette, Jennifer	Paraprofessional, Substitute Teacher	5,815.49
Chmura, Marie A.	Town Collector	25,163.62
Cichy, Malcolm	Assistant Plumbing Inspector	1,932.00
Clark, Kathleen K.	Teacher, Stipend	63,032.64
Coach, Richard P.	School Coach	4,028.00
Conz, Betsy J.	Teacher, Stipend	18,748.08
Cooper, Robert G.	School Custodian	35,070.64
Crisafulli, Amy L.	Counselor	1,523.73
Czerniak, Karen A.	Teacher	62,732.64



Daniels, Shannon L.	School Paraprofessional	14,267.06
Dardenne, Patrice L.	School Superintendent	102,345.70
Davis, Wilma F.	Town Hall Secretary, Part time	16,719.58
Davis, Wilma F.	Planning Board Secretary	203.43
Dellert, Martin J.	Wastewater Laborer	23,786.37
Denisiewicz, Maxine	Teacher	59,704.92
Devine, Judith A.	Election Worker	184.00
Dibrindisi, Greg A.	Firefighter	1,322.25
Donaldson, Robert B.	Emergency Mgmt	2,678.00
Dostal, Eileen J.	Registrar of Voters	457.12
Dostal, Paul S.	Planning Board	400.00
Duffy, Kim A.	School Paraprofessional	5,622.25
Duncan, Jason E.	Coach	2,743.00
Duncan, Jason E.	Teacher, Stipend	49,554.36
Duval, Paul J.	School Tech Administrator	15,336.27
Dwight, Ethel	Election Worker	204.00
Englehardt, Robert W.	Ambulance EMT	1,685.05
Eno, Romona M.	Town Hall Secretary	4,035.50
Erikson, Stephen C.	Substitute Teacher, Stipend	1,845.00
Field-Sadler, Pamela	Town Hall Secretary	24,196.93
Flaherty, Kerry E.	Ambulance EMT	3,595.43
Flaherty, Robert W. Jr.	Ambulance EMT	3,215.07
Flaherty, Robert W. Jr.	Firefighter	2,565.25
Foley, Brian J.	School Coach	2,434.00
Gagnon, Gregory	Ambulance Manager, ALS	10,045.65
Galvagni, Gary V.	Firefighter	798.66
Gaughan, Lenore M.	Ambulance EMT	51.00
Gaughan, Patrick	Zoning Board of Appeals	50.00
Gaughan, Stephen P.	Ambulance Assistant Manager, ALS	6,183.16
Gaughan, Stephen P.	Fire Captin, Firefighter	1,699.75
Geryk, Walter	Plumbing Inspector	10,282.00
Gilbert, Jean M.	Election Worker	88.00
Glazier, Tracey L.	School Paraprofessional	709.61
Godek, Kathleen A.	Election Worker	178.00
Goldman, Scott A.	High School Principal, Stipend	80,447.52
Gore, Michelle	School Paraprofessional	7,764.75
Gray, Cynthia L.	School Paraprofessional	13,563.40
Gray, Marisa	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	37,461.73
Gregori, Bruce F.	Teacher, Stipend	36,890.62
Guil, Karen D.	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	48,877.36
Guyette, Eric R.	Teacher, Long Term Substitute	13,310.59
Handfield, Kenneth E, Jr.	Ambulance EMT	2,300.24
Hebert, Mark A.	DPW Vehicle Maintenance Supt	19,433.06
Hebert, Michael A.	Police	3,093.13
Herfurth, Robert D.	School Driver	779.46
Higuera, John J.	Teacher, Stipend, Coach	47,148.79
Hoey, Laura L.	Teacher, Stipend	59,102.23
Hoffman, Molly E.	Teacher, Stipend , Guidance Summer	41,256.48
Hoffman, Molly E.	Guidance Counselor, Stipend	1,357.40
Holman, Karen L.	School Custodian	31,069.98
Hopkins, Giles S.	Teacher, Stipend	63,782.64
Hudzik, Amy	Teacher	24,930.82
Ingalls, Kristin M.	Paraprofessional, Stipend	9,220.00
Isakson, David	Police, Mobilization Grant	2,587.50
Isakson, David	Police Private Duty	420.00
Jackewich, Timothy	Firefighter	1,546.18

Jackson, Jonathan Mark	Teacher, Stipend	30,289.19
Jackson, Jonathan Mark	Coach	1,368.00
Jamrog, Jessica L.	Substitute Teacher	1,782.50
Jaworski, Edmund E.	Coach	1,766.00
Jennings, Tori	Substitute Teacher	260.00
Jepson, Dorcas	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	62,973.97
Jewczyn-Kaiser, Olga	Substitute Teacher	765.00
Kaciak, Michael A.	Firefighter, Fire Lieutenant	1,709.75
Kaczinski, Jessica M.	Ambulance EMT	468.15
Kaczinski, Justin J.	Ambulance EMT	390.90
Keir, David R.	Teacher, Stipend	58,906.23
Keir, David R.	Coach	3,181.00
Kellogg, Bernice E.	Library Assistant	8,084.40
Kellogg, Bernice E.	Library Lig/Meg Grant	473.68
Kellogg, Ruth	Town Hall Custodian	213.92
Kellogg, Ruth	Library Custodian	1,288.98
Kempisty, Brenda	School Administrative Asst., Advisor, Stipend	42,517.97
Kennedy, Michael T.	Firefighter	2,103.75
Kirkendall, Diane L.	Substitute Teacher	162.50
Klepacki, James G.	DPW Highway Laborer	41,790.20
Kuchyt, Ruth A.	Registrar of Voters/Town Clerk Staff	1,399.22
Kwiecinski, Cynthia L.	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	49,209.79
Lafountain, Glenn L.	Firefighter	229.97
Lamontagne, Diane M.	School Lunch Worker	5,704.33
Langlais, Michelle J.	School Lunch Worker	3,272.50
Lapienski, Marion	Council on Aging Van Driver	12,685.46
Lastowski, Anthony P.	DPW Water Department Laborer	37,659.46
Latz, Patricia	Substitute Teacher	415.00
Laurin, Roland A.	Town Hall Custodian	6,445.01
Lavallee, James A.	DPW Highway Laborer	40,635.29
Lavallee, Joseph	Moderator	80.00
Leary, Janice A.	School Lunch Worker	9,038.70
Legrand, Julie C.	Teacher, Stipend	40,941.83
Leonard, Joan R.	Substitute Teacher	1,492.50
Lesko, Edward W. Jr.	Assessor	2,075.00
Leuschner, David F.	Ambulance EMT	738.60
Leuschner, David F.	Firefighter	886.00
Liantonio, Lorraine	Teacher	62,132.73
Liimatainen, Eric W. III	Firefighter	80.00
Lizek, David M.	Electrical Inspector	2,902.00
Lizek, Harold B.	Transfer Station Laborer	196.84
Longstreeth, Kenneth T.	Teacher, Stipend	51,374.22
Longstreeth, Luke B.	Recreation Counselor	788.00
Lyons, Michael J.	Town Accountant	18,308.58
Lyons-Sosa, Mary	Teacher	50,601.72
Majewski, Matthew M.	School Lunch Worker	3,178.29
Malinowski, Nora Riley	Substitute Teacher	140.00
Marks, Kathy A.	Teacher	12,689.19
Martin, Frederick A.	Assessor	1,830.00
Martin, Frederick A.	Zoning Board of Appeals	50.00
Martula, A. Maureen	Teacher, Stipend	45,907.29
May, June D.	Council On Aging Clerk	4,637.00
McCloghry, Matthew	School Coach	2,743.00
McCormick, Sheila P.	Library Director	34,666.38
McCormick, Sheila P.	Library Lig/Meg Grant	3,434.85
McElone, Kara	School Program Facilitator, Stipend	21,760.00



McGlew, Edwin N. III	Fire Captain, Firefighter	2,296.00
McGrath, Brain D.	DPW Wastewater/Water Superintendent	46,233.40
McGrath, Brain D.	DPW Wastewater/Water Laborer	17,959.82
McMahan, Rose Marie	School Stipend	3,550.00
Meehan, Duane	Firefighter	1,785.00
Merrigan, Marguerite A.	Substitute Teacher	290.00
Michonski, Marlene J.	Administrative Assistant	42,533.47
Mientka, Margaret A.	Council on Aging Van Driver	2,852.15
Milewski, Linda C.	School Lunch Worker	1,046.26
Miller, Barbara F.	Administrative Asst. Assessor	22,889.16
Molloy, Martha M.	Substitute Teacher	3,450.00
Moret, Donna M.	Teachers Aide	13,760.15
Motyka, Frank L.	DPW Director	69,470.31
Muellejans, Julie	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	59,084.97
Neal, Karie L.	Substitute Teacher	150.00
Nicholas, Bryan O.	Zoning Board of Appeals	50.00
Norris, Pamela	School Psychologist	21,807.59
Novak, John L.	Cable TV-Station Manager	7,880.00
Noyes, Nancy P.	Council on Aging Van Driver	1,166.71
Noyes, Worth	Fire Dept	192.00
Obertz, Nancy A.	Teacher	52,237.00
O'Dea, Richard T.	Election Worker	304.00
Ogden Emily A.	Teacher, Stipend	15,925.39
Olson, Gary R.	School Van Driver	14,710.73
Omasta, David E.	DPW Transfer Station	6,738.09
Osley, Thomas J.	Police Chief, Police Officer	51,515.44
Otis, Amanda E.	Substitute Teacher	227.50
Otis, Michelle D.	School Secretary, Project Coordinator	35,648.16
Paciorek, Timothy M.	Police, Mobilization Grant	10,095.50
Paciorek, Timothy M.	Police Private Duty	1,155.00
Palmisano, Edwina	Town Clerk/Treasurer Staff	13,114.91
Paniczko, Vincent M.	DPW Cemetery	6,578.12
Paniczko, Vincent M.	DPW Transfer Station	131.58
Parsons, Lynn-Ann	School Secretary	24,465.84
Pease, Jane	School Lunch	9,901.69
Pease, John	FireDept	90.00
Pelc, Jacqueline M.	School Lunch Worker	3,630.00
Pelis, Cessie	Ambulance EMT	409.80
Perrault, James G.	Police	120.00
Pomeroy, Scott	Animal Control Officer	1,299.00
Pomeroy, Scott	Inspector of Animals	1,299.00
Potter, Leslie V.	Substitute Teacher	75.00
Provo, Samuel F.	Substitute Teacher	2,300.00
Prucnal, Evelyn Hahn	Library Assistant	2,433.12
Prucnal, Evelyn Hahn	Library Lig/Meg Grant	337.88
Punska, Ronald J.	Assessor	1,055.27
Purcell, James G.	Police	1,272.68
Purcell, James G.	Police Private Duty	157.50
Ravenhurst, Casey E.	Library Assistant	125.98
Reilly, John V.	Council on Aging Van Driver	3,774.46
Rinaldi, Keith	Coach	1,681.00
Roberts, Richard A.	Ambulance EMT	1,473.45
Roberts, Richard A.	Firefighter	1,331.50
Rogers, Tracey	Fire Lieutenant, Firefighter	1,395.50
Romano, Michael A.	Police	14,104.74
Romano, Michael A.	Police Private Duty	11,497.50



Romero, Raymond	Firefighter	2,287.00
Ryan, Judith	Teacher, Stipend	63,376.64
Ryan, Maeghan L.	Firefighter	810.83
Sadler, Donald C.	Firefighter	105.00
Sadowski, Stanley	Building Inspector	32,593.80
Sampson, David A.	Police, Mobilization Grant	6,575.57
Sampson, David A.	Police Private Duty	945.00
Sampson, Thomas H.	Police, Mobilization Grant	11,628.00
Sampson, Thomas H.	Police Private Duty	2,135.00
Schlegel, Wayne W.	Substitute Teacher	150.00
Schmalz, Mary Pat	Substitute Teacher	2,742.50
Schramel, Timothy A.	School Custodian	29,200.59
Shapiro, Sarah	School Tutor	1,496.00
Sharac, Nicole S.	School Paraprofessional	5,731.95
Shea, Robert W. Jr.	Basketball Timer	1,451.00
Sheehan Eugene M.	Planning Board	355.19
Shockey, Linda Scarlett	School Teacher, Stipend	9,435.06
Shockey, Linda Scarlett	School Librarian	51,137.86
Sicard, Abigacl	Coach	1,911.00
Sicard, Ann Marie	School Paraprofessional	14,360.13
Siegel, Lois	Substitute Teacher	3,145.00
Sikorski, Edward J.	Coach	2,743.00
Sikorski, Kara S.	Substitute Teacher	65.00
Sliwoski, Stanley F.	Board of Health	4,400.00
Slysz, Louise	Registrar of Voters	100.00
Slysz, Louise	Town Clerk	21,555.91
Slysz, Louise	Treasurer	30,833.19
Smarz, George A. Sr.	Election Worker	128.00
Smith, Christopher G.	Assessor	774.73
Smith, Pamela H.	School Van Driver	11,215.44
Snape, Wendy A.	School Paraprofessional	5,940.48
Som, Sovannarorth	School Coach	1,368.00
Soverow, Christine L.	Guidance Counselor	48,038.79
Soverow, Christine L.	Teacher, Stipend	9,301.38
Spellacy, Anna	Substitute Teacher	2,890.00
Spellacy, Anna	Election Worker	48.00
Stahelek, Nancy	Teacher	17,086.89
Start, Joan C.	Election Worker	32.00
Streeter, Christopher A.	Substitute Teacher	450.00
Striker, Dawn	Teacher, Stipend, Advisor	53,721.50
Swan, V. Mahi	Substitute Teacher	85.00
Swartz, Sallie P.	School Nurse	47,192.54
Symanski, Stanley L.	Electrical Inspector	8,932.00
Symington, Robert D.	Substitute Teacher	1,895.00
Szewczyk, Stanley F.	Assistant Building Inspector	701.50
Szych, John J.	Transfer Station Laborer	6,451.86
Szych, Lydia	Elector, Oliver Smith Will	1.00
Szynal, James Jr.	DPW Vehicle Maintenance Supt	34,452.31
Tetrault, Harriet	School Van Driver	7,349.64
Tetrault, Harriet	Teacher's Aide, Substitute Teacher	11,105.03
Thayer, Joan	Election Worker	1,679.17
Toole, Kara H.	Teacher, Stipend	46,263.76
Urey, Melissa M.	School Drama Advisor	562.50
Vandoloski, Raymond	Police	2,606.41
Vandoloski, Raymond	Police Private Duty	560.00
Vollinger, Donald W.	Transfer Station Laborer	496.51

Vollinger Elizabeth	Recreation Counselor	756.00
Vollinger, Linda K.	School Paraprofessional	9,908.86
Vollinger, Mary R.	Substitute Teacher	2,740.00
Vollinger, Robin F.	School Paraprofessional	15,137.25
Vose-O'Neal, Adam J.	School Coach	1,368.00
Wall, Kevin	Teacher, Stipend	28,168.59
Warner, Daniel A.	Police, Mobilization Grant	10,665.17
Warner, Daniel A.	Police Private Duty	8,977.50
Webb, Sherry A.	Teacher, Coach, Athletic Director, Advisor	61,872.54
Weybrew, Dana	School Coach	2,881.00
Wickles, Melanie	Substitute Teacher	1,125.00
Wilby, Keri L.	Teacher, Stipend	14,515.65
Wilcox, Edward	School Coach	2,434.00
Williams, Darryl	Selectman	2,192.21
Williams, Mary	Election Worker	124.00
Williams, Ronald R.	School Lunch Director	11,513.25
Williamson, Casey A.	Recreation Counselor	792.00
Wilson, Anita M.	Library Assistant, Substitute Teacher	513.30
Winnings, Sally E.	Substitute Teacher	2,767.50
Winters, C. Gregory	Planning Board	400.00
Wolejko, Alan E.	Teacher, Stipend	62,111.63
Wolejko, Dianne	Teacher, Stipend	63,276.64
Wolejko, Whitney	Substitute Teacher	97.50
Woodward, Alyssa L.	Recreation Counselor	792.00
Wright, Susan M.	Teacher	57,056.15
Wroblewski, Edward W.	DPW Water Department Laborer	48,737.19
Yagodzinski, Christine	Substitute Teacher, Election Worker, Library Assistant	3,201.80
Young, William J.	DPW Highway/Transfer Station Supt	64,826.26
Zagorski, David W.	Assistant Assessor	16,284.34
Zak, Diane G.	School Lunch Director	15,135.78
Zeneri, Matthew A.	School Coach	4,028.00
Zgrodnik, Josephine	Library Assistant	9,101.96
Zgrodnik, Josephine	Library Lig/Meg Grant	21.60
Zygmunt, Amanda	Election Worker, Substitute Teacher	792.00
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	<b>TOTAL PAYROLL-2008</b>	<b>\$4,332,712.80</b>
	Respectfully Submitted, G. Louise Slys, Treasurer	

## TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's responsibilities cover a broad spectrum of town business, as set forth by the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Some of the responsibilities include the recording and certification of all town meeting actions, the recording of all appointments and resignations, the administration of the oath of office to all appointed and elected officials, the posting of all committee meetings, the filing and certification of the permits and plans processed by the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals, the preparation and oversight of all elections, the recording of all vital statistics, and the issuance of many licenses. The Town Clerk's office is a Passport Acceptance Facility.

### VITAL STATISTICS

The certificates for births, deaths, and marriages are recorded in the Town Clerk's Office. Certified copies are available for \$10.00 each.

2008 Events		Births	Deaths	Marriages
	Male	10	9	
	Female	12	18	
	Totals	22	27	7

### DOG LICENSES

Dog licenses are renewed annually by March 31<sup>st</sup>. The fee for a dog license is \$6.00 for all dogs. Kennel Fees are \$20.00 and \$55.00. A penalty of \$1.00 per month is assessed beginning May 1st for late registration.

	Number	Amount
Total Dog Licenses Issued	381	\$2,335
Late Fines	47	\$72
Total Receipts		\$2,407

### FISH AND GAME LICENSES-2008 SALES

	Number	Amount
Fishing	66	1,277.75
Hunting	14	379.75
Sporting	88	2,265.00
Various Stamps	74	376.80
Processing Fees		122.00
Total Sales		\$4,421.30
Due Comm. of Mass		\$4,230.00
Fees to Town of Hatfield		\$191.30



**VARIOUS LICENSES/PERMITS/FILINGS—2008**

	Number	Fee
Burial Permits	6	60.00
Business Certificates	25	1,250.00
Bylaws and Maps, Town and Zoning	5	37.00
Gasoline Storage Permit	5	100.00
Homestead Filing	-	-
Passport applications	59	1,475.00
Planning Board Permits/Applications	7	1,200.00
Pole Locations	1	20.00
Raffle Permits	2	20.00
Street Lists	30	300.00
Street Lists, No Charge	40	0.00
Vital Statistics-Certified Copies	210	2,095.00
Marriage Intentions	8	160.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	0	0
Total Sales	398	\$6,717.00

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING      MAY 13, 2008      NON-FINANCIAL ARTICLES**

The full text of all town meeting votes is available for public inspection at the Town Clerk’s office.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the Selectmen as the means by which the Town shall designate Officer to issue permits for the purpose of creating a trench

ARTICLE 6. Voted to amend Article 4 “Regulations for the Use of Vehicles” of the Hatfield Town By-Laws, by adding sub-section L, pertaining to parking on Billings Way

ARTICLE 7. Voted to amend the Hatfield Town By-Laws by adding Section 1.20 of Article One: Purchase of Agricultural Products, Grown or Produced. It states that all town departments will make every effort to purchase agricultural products, grown or produced as part of a Massachusetts farming operation.

ARTICLE 8. Voted to retain the former Center School property located at 58 Main Street for municipal purposes and thus to rescind the authority and effect granted by the vote on Article 6 of the September 16, 2003 Special Town Meeting, in lieu of accepting the offer bid of \$167,500.00 from Jordie Herold of Icarus, Wheaten and Finch for the purchase and sale of the former Center School building and certain property located at 58 Main Street. (Yes-68 No-63)

ARTICLE 11. Voted to amend the Hatfield Town by-Laws, Section 1.17 Conservation Fund/Hatfield Land Preservation Advisory Committee and Section 1.18 Agricultural Advisory Commission to delete the Land Preservation Advisory Committee.

ARTICLE 12. Voted to amend the Zoning By-Laws and Zoning Map Map 210, Lot 58, 204 West Street to change the current zoning from Light Industrial to Business.

ARTICLE 13. Voted to amend the Zoning By-Laws by deleting the existing sections 7.1.1 through 7.1.13 in their entirety and inserting a new section 7.0 Stormwater Management

ARTICLE 14. Voted to return the care and custody and ownership of open space land in front of the Hatfield Elementary School, from the School Department to the Town of Hatfield and/or its Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. Amended the article by adding the following sentence at the end of Section 1: "Subject to a maintenance easement to the Town." And amending Section 2 to read 700 ft, in place of 600 ft, and adding "Running approximately 65 feet along West Street from the intersection of West Street and Pantry Road)"

Voted to approve and to authorize the following real estate transactions:

- (1) To declare as surplus to the needs of the Town and to authorize the Selectmen to convey any and all interests which the Town may have in a certain portion of Pantry Road West of the lot known and numbered as "183" West Street, said lot being Lot 53 on Town of Hatfield Assessors Map 210, owned by Charles E. Klein and Barbara D. Klein the portion to be conveyed being an irregularly shaped parcel consisting of about 1800 square feet more or less consistent with a surveyor's drawing which is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, the consideration for this conveyance being the Kleins' conveyance as set forth in part 2, below, subject to a maintenance easement to the Town.
- (2) To authorize the Selectmen to purchase or acquire for municipal purposes, interest or in a portion of a lot known and numbered as "183" West Street, said lot being Lot 53 on Town of Hatfield's Assessors Map 210, owned by Charles E. Klein and Barbara D. Klein, the portion to be acquired being a triangular portion about 700 square feet more or less (running approximately 65 feet along West Street from the intersection of West Street and Pantry Road) consistent with the same said surveyor's drawing which is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, the consideration for this conveyance being the Town's conveyance as set forth in part 1, above.

ARTICLE 17. Voted to appropriate money from the Community Preservation annual revenues for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in fiscal year 2009: Appropriate--Committee Administrative Expenses \$8,580;

Reserves: Historic Resources Reserve--\$17,160; Community Housing Reserve--\$17,160; Open Space Reserve--\$17,160; Budgeted Reserve--\$111,540

ARTICLE 18. Voted to authorize a revolving funds for Hazardous Materials, Electrical Inspections and Plumbing Inspections under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, §53 E ½, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008.

ARTICLE 29. Voted, subject to any cost of living adjustment, the recommended base stipends as submitted by the Salary Study of Elected Officials Committee, dated February 9, 2008, for the following several elected positions.

FUNDING SOURCES

Article	TOTAL	Taxation	Available Funds	Water Revenue	Water Avail	Sewer Revenue	Sewer Avail	Ambulance Revenue	Amb Surplus	Septic Bet	Cometary FC Interest	Tobacco Shed Trust	Sub Fund	Sub Capital Fund	Comm Preservation	Free Cash
4 Chapter 90	194,149		194,149													
16 Unpaid Ambulance Bill	450								450							
17 CPA Committee Expense	8,580														8,580	
20 Photocopier Lease	2,388	2,388														
21 Sewer Dept Mechanical Equip	22,286						22,286									
22 Fire Dept Tanker	15,000												15,000			
23 Water Main Croonin Hill Rd	40,000				40,000											
24 School Dept Van-contingent cap exclusion-19,200																
25 Facility Needs Assessment-contingent cap exclusion 10,000																
26 Police Software-Contingent cap exclusion-16,000																
27 Highway Pickup-Contingent cap exclusion-38,000																
28 Highway Mower-Contingent cap exclusion-55,000																
30 Operating Budget	7,673,003	6,767,990	9,721	426,312		287,965		55,582		2,586	6,000	600	18,000			98,247
TOTAL FY 09	7,955,856	6,770,378	203,870	426,312	40,000	287,965	22,286	55,582	450	2,586	6,000	600	18,000	15,000	8,580	98,247

NOTE: Articles 24-28 were approved at town meeting, but the ballot questions were defeated at the annual election on May 20, 2008



**PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY      FEBRUARY 5, 2008**

TOTAL VOTE CAST    1138

Democratic 913      Republican 224      Green-Rainbow 1      Working Families 0

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTIONS    MAY 20, 2008**TOTAL VOTE CAST-725    REGULAR-703      ABSENTEE-22

MODERATOR, 3 Years	Joseph A. Lavallee, Sr-83 Main St
SELECTMAN, 3 Years	Darryl L. Williams-9 Depot Rd
TOWN CLERK, 3 Years	G. Louise Slysz-99 Elm Street
TREASURER, 3 Years	G. Louise Slysz-99 Elm Street
TOWN COLLECTOR, 3 Years	Marie Chmura-11 Scotland Road
ASSESSOR, 3 Years	Ronald J. Punska-1 Elm Street
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 Years,	Catherine J. Englehardt-24 South Street
Vote for 2	Elizabeth A. Lafond-17 Chestnut St
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 1 Year	Sarah Alice Palmisciano-104 Mountain Rd
LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 3 Years	Nina Antonetti-22 Main Street
ELECTOR UNDER THE WILL OF OLIVER SMITH, 1 Year	Lydia Szych-449 Main Street
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, 3 Years	Jonathan William Bardwell 121 North Hatfield Rd
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, 2 Years	Richard C Parasiliti-30 King Street
BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 Years	Ellen Bokina Paszek-9 Prospect Street
PLANNING BOARD, 5 Years	Gregory C. Schurch-139 Main Street
HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 Years	Gerald E. Jones-2 School St Apt 4B
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
5 yr	J. Michael Cahill-31 North Street
4 yr	Edward W. Lesko, Jr-131D Main Street
2 yr	Michael F. Paszek-9 Prospect Street
1 yr	Harold F. Green-48 Main Street

Capital Expenditure Exclusion Questions

Question 1-Facility Needs Assessment-\$10,000	Yes 236	No 444
Question 2-Mower-\$55,000	Yes 189	No 490
Question 3-Highway Pickup with plow-\$38,000	Yes 249	No 426
Question 4-Police Software-\$16,000	Yes 339	No 345
Question 5-School Van-\$19,200	Yes 286	No 398

**STATE PRIMARY****SEPTEMBER 16, 2008**

TOTAL VOTE CAST    311

Democratic    292      Republican    19

**STATE ELECTION****NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

TOTAL VOTE CAST    2122

Attest: G. Louise Slysz, Town Clerk

# BOARD OF REGISTRARS

## ANNUAL CENSUS

The annual census was conducted by mail during the month of January. The complete listing of residents was prepared and various reports, such as the jury list, the school lists, and the elderly lists were distributed. The population as of January 1, 2008 was 3441. The annual census since 1950 shown below illustrates the population changes of our community.

Year	2008	2007	2006	2000	1995	1990	1980	1970	1960	1950
Population	3441	3428	3456	3480	3354	3343	3099	2790	2350	2178

Copies of the annual street list are for sale at the Town Clerk’s office. The street list information and the voter list are also available on computer disk. Contact the Town Clerk for further information regarding the purchase of these items.

## VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration sessions are held, as required by law, prior to the Town Meeting and all primaries and elections. Residents may register to vote at the Town Clerk’s office during regular business hours. Mail-in voter registration as well as registration at the Registry of Motor Vehicles has helped to increase the number of registered voters. The official voting list was updated and distributed prior to each election. The following elections were held in 2008:

Election	Total Registered Voters	Total Number Voted
Presidential Primary—2/5/2008	2517	1138
Annual Town Elections--5/20/2008	2502	725
State Primary--9/16/2008	2537	311
State Election—11/4/2008	2598	2122

As of December 31, 2008, there were 2598 registered voters in the Town of Hatfield. The party enrollment was as follows:

Democrats	958	Unenrolled	1420
Republicans	212	All others	8

Total number of registered voters in prior years

Year	2000	1990	1980	1970	1960	1950
Total	2485	2012	1970	1532	1360	1261

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Kuchyt, Chair  
Eileen J. Dostal  
Helen H. Bardwell  
G. Louise Slys, Clerk

**TOWN COLLECTOR**

	YEAR	Balance July 1, 2007	Committed	Collected	Abated	Refunds	Tax Title	Liens	Outstanding Balance June 30, 2008
REAL ESTATE	2005	25,592.12		16,623.14	3,452.38				5,516.60
REAL ESTATE	2005	82,744.20		62,694.02			3,664.36		16,385.82
REAL ESTATE	2007	143,802.73		68,261.52			5,131.82		70,409.39
REAL ESTATE	2008		5,001,757.96	4,621,979.95	40,642.08	6,903.32		167,149.68	178,889.57
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2003	69.46							69.46
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2003	104.56							104.56
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2008	657.30		36.50					620.80
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2008	665.61		234.44		225.35			656.52
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2007	962.93		407.47					555.46
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2008		185,337.80	184,278.81	93.87	233.52			1,198.64
WATER	2008		565,241.26	481,808.26	9,919.66			25,296.48	48,216.86
SEWER	2008		477,874.13	403,569.79	6,152.46			18,627.79	49,524.09
MOBILE HOME TAX	2008		5,760.00	5,760.00					-
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2005	4,880.23		2,660.43	698.95	698.95			2,219.80
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2005	6,355.98	14,608.27	17,195.88	836.24	836.24			3,768.37
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2007	36,762.18	115,084.35	143,958.97	3,210.63	2,980.07			7,657.00
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2008		497,824.55	456,635.23	6,224.25	3,080.47			38,045.54
FARM EXCISE	2008	382.50							382.50
FARM EXCISE	2005	401.00							401.00
FARM EXCISE	2008	748.00							748.00
FARM EXCISE	2007	2,653.43		2,341.13					312.30
FARM EXCISE	2008	2,653.42		2,341.12					312.30
AMBULANCE		22,402.68	81,325.00	51,832.62	28,117.61				23,777.45
SEPTIC BETTERMENTS		13,526.91		1,789.13					11,737.78
PARKING FINES		-							-
DOG FINES		50.00			50.00				-
ELDERLY/DISABLED FUND		518.38	657.00		500.00				675.38

Respectfully submitted, M. Chmura, Town Collector



# TOWN OF HATFIELD

## JUNE 30, 2008

<u>ASSETS</u>	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Cash, Pooled	\$1,030,793.90	\$1,806,204.04	\$908,447.33	
2004 Personal Property	104.56			
2005 Personal Property	620.80			
2006 Personal Property	656.52			
2007 Personal Property	549.92			
2008 Personal Property	1,198.68			
2009 Personal Property	108,444.18			
Total Personal Property	111,574.66			
2005 Real Estate	5,516.60			
2006 Real Estate	16,380.56			
2007 Real Estate	70,445.42			
2008 Real Estate	159,424.99			
2009 Real Estate	2,401,317.18			
Total Real Estate	2,653,084.75			
2004 Allow. for Abate. & Exempt.	(12,408.34)			
2005 Allow. for Abate. & Exempt.	(6,021.46)			
2006 Allow. for Abate & Exempt.	(9,754.54)			
2007 Allow. for Abate & Exempt.	(31,799.26)			
2008 Allow. for Abate & Exempt.	(25,900.14)			
Total Allow. for Abate & Exempt.	(85,883.74)			
Tax Liens	140,492.97			
Deferred Property Taxes	15,354.70			
CH61 Rollback Taxes	2,206.37			
Taxes in Litigation	6,620.92			
Land of Low Value	2,347.24			
Total Other Taxes	167,022.20			
2005 Motor Vehicle Excise	2,219.79			
2006 Motor Vehicle Excise	3,768.37			
2007 Motor Vehicle Excise	7,657.00			
2008 Motor Vehicle Excise	38,045.54			
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	51,690.70			
2003 Farm Excise	382.50			
2005 Farm Excise	401.00			
2006 Farm Excise	748.00			
2007 Farm Excise	312.30			
2008 Farm Excise	1,712.62			
Total Farm Excise	3,556.42			
Water Charges		48,571.60		
Water Liens		11,471.50		
Water Tax Title		2,085.74		
Sewer Charges		49,524.09		
Sewer Liens		7,655.33		
Sewer Tax Title		897.38		
Ambulance Charges		23,777.44		
CH90 Grants Receivable		239,992.83		
Septic Loans		11,737.78		
C.P.A. Taxes Receivable		53,753.54		
A/T/B/P Water Filtration - L T Outside				1,661,343.46
A/T/B/P New Elementary School-L T Inside				1,300,000.00
A/T/B/P Landfill Capping - BAN				235,490.00
A/T/B/P Septic Trust - L T Outside				30,972.00
A/T/B/P Sewer Bridge/Gore - L T Inside				806,700.00
A/T/B/P Fire Truck - BAN				100,700.00
A/T/B/P Fire Hose-BAN				6,000.00
A/T/B/P S.A. Intercom/Phone System-BAN				30,000.00
A/T/B/P Compactor-Transfer Station-BAN				8,000.00
A/T/B/P S.A.HCAC - BAN				64,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>3,931,838.89</b>	<b>\$2,255,671.27</b>	<b>\$908,447.33</b>	<b>\$4,243,205.46</b>



# TOWN OF HATFIELD

## JUNE 30, 2008

### LIABILITIES

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Federal Withholding Payable	-			
FICA Withholding Payable	-			
Medicare Withholding Payable	-			
State Withholding Payable	-			
Retirement Withholding Payable				
Health Insurance Withholding Payable	6,076.49			
Delta Dental Withholding Payable	919.01			
Optional Dental Withholding Payable	(817.91)			
Life Insurance Withholding Payable	462.43			
Disability Insurance Payable	(670.58)			
Abandoned Property (Tailings)	4,416.11			
Def.Rev.-Personal Property & Real Estate Taxes	2,678,775.67			
Def.Rev.- Tax Liens	140,492.97			
Def.Rev.- Taxes In Litigation	8,968.16			
Def.Rev.- Deferred Taxes	15,354.70			
Def.Rev.-CG61 Rollback Taxes	2,206.37			
Def.Rev.- Motor Vehicle Excise	51,690.70			
Def.Rev.- Farm Excise	3,556.42			
Def.Rev.-FY09 Revenue Rec'd in FY08	32,158.04			
Def.Rev.- Water Charges	-	48,571.60		
Def.Rev.- Water Liens		11,471.50		
Def.Rev.- Water tax Title		2,085.74		
Def.Rev.- Sewer Charges		49,524.09		
Def.Rev.- Sewer Liens		7,655.33		
Def.Rev.- Sewer Tax Title		897.38		
Def.Rev.- Ambulance Charges		23,777.44		
Def.Rev.- CH90 Highway Grants		239,992.83		
Def.Rev.- Septoc Loans		11,737.78		
Def. Rev.- C.P.A. Taxes		53,753.54		
Off Duty Details			1,008.52	
Deputy Tax Collector			90.01	
Fish & Game Licenses			(133.50)	
Firearm Permits			740.00	
Bid Deposits			100.00	
Bonds Payable, Water Filtration				1,661,343.46
Bonds Payable, New Elementary School - L T				1,300,000.00
Bonds Payable, Landfill Capping				235,490.00
Bonds Payable, Septic Trust				30,972.00
Bonds Payable, Sewer Bridge/Gore				806,700.00
Bonds Payable, Fire Truck				100,700.00
Bonds Payable, Fire Hose				6,000.00
S.A. Intercom/Phone System				30,000.00
Compactor-Transfer Station				8,000.00
Bonds Payable, Smith Academy HVAC				64,000.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,943,588.58</b>	<b>449,467.23</b>	<b>1,805.03</b>	<b>4,243,205.46</b>

# TOWN OF HATFIELD

JUNE 30, 2008

<u>FUND EQUITY</u>	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Reserve for Encumbrances	402,304.78			
Reserve for Carryovers	53,721.97			
Undesignated Fund Balance	472,777.50			
Free Cash to Fund FY09 Budget	98,247.00			
FY08 Snow & Ice Deficit	(38,800.94)			
Water Fund Balance		408,857.14		
Sewer Fund Balance		244,469.63		
Ambulance Fund Balance		5,335.23		
Septic Loans Fund Balance		29,693.65		
CH90 Fund Balance		0.50		
SPED 94-142 Allocation		(3.39)		
Title IIA		180.00		
FY08 Title V (Formally TitleVI)		271.00		
CRVEA Professional Development		131.64		
Immigration Tuition Reimbursement		3,910.02		
MIT Inventeam Grant		118.43		
Teacher Quality Grant		(645.00)		
Circuit Breaker		32,948.35		
FY08 Early Child Community Partnership		2,109.00		
FY08 Gifted & Talented		1,142.78		
FY08 Academic Support Services		539.00		
Early Childhood SPED		(171.00)		
Hatfield Foundation to Enhance Ed.		1,228.27		
School Ins. Claim-Laptop Theft		349.00		
Robert Ryan Fund		200.85		
Donations/Gifts to School		9,465.64		
StudentActivities		60,750.12		
School Lunch		(2,908.75)		
Pre school Tuition		9,985.74		
Athletic Revolving		43,377.90		
School Building Use		5,711.06		
School Choice FY05		4,140.26		
School Choice FY07		58,870.56		
School Choice FY08		288,292.00		
Hatfield Comm Ed P/G		4,529.29		
HCTV - AT&T Grant		40,808.11		
Premium on Bonds		0.45		
Prepaid Interest on Bond		2,898.43		
Extended Polling Hours		1,850.00		
Wetlands Protection		9,963.89		
Conservation Commission		1,000.00		
FY08 Agricultural resources Grant		13.65		
COPS - FAST		10,335.52		
Community Policing		353.39		
Fed. Armor Vest Grant		1,578.00		
Police Public Safety Equipment Grant		36.00		
Police Mobilization Grant		678.60		
Firefighters Assist Grant		1,711.46		
Fire Dept gifts in Memory		905.00		
Mass Relief Grant		80.00		
Old Stage Road Agreement		500.00		
Ready Resource (Rt5&10) Grant		185.39		
LIG/MEG/NRC Library Grants		38,143.53		
Gates Foundation Grant		26.02		
MARC Conversion Grant		831.25		
Library Design Grant		34,515.74		
Council on Aging - Formula		231.62		
Council on Aging - H.V.E.S. Grant		339.11		
COA Programs Rides & Trips		653.08		
COA Medical Equipment Donations		911.74		
Cultural Council		3,192.97		
Jaws of Life Donations		3,213.25		
CERT Emerg Mgmt Grant		199.10		
Emergency Plan Donations		281.44		
Ryan Donation - Recreation & Museum		1,000.00		
Library Special Gifts		9,119.34		
Elderly/Disabled Gift		953.38		

**TOWN OF HATFIELD**  
**JUNE 30, 2008**

Agri Advisory Comm	31.62		
Tobacco Shed Donations	1,130.00		
Recreation Donations	94.05		
Recreation Revolving	10,226.60		
Recreation Gift-Polish Club	200.00		
Ins Claim-Seigel Signs	173.50		
B.O.H. Emergency Grant	2,169.00		
B.O.H. Emergency Preparedness	769.02		
Fish & Wildlife Grant	5,681.50		
Fire Hazmat Revolving	3,455.27		
Library C&S Summer Reading P/G	454.26		
MSBA Sch Construct Reimb	58.00		
Berkshire Gas Grant - Elm St	19,849.37		
FY06 Flood Reimb	3,833.09		
Sale of Land-Pantry Road	34,510.00		
Homeland Security Grant-B.O.H.	230.98		
NCRS Highway Grant	(735.17)		
New School S.B.A. Reimbursement	77,770.00		
Bashand Tile Escrow (New School)	3,058.24		
Police Click It or Ticket	1,561.01		
S.A.F.E. Grant	5,483.90		
Community Preservation Act Fund	102,358.17		
Electrical Inspections Revolving	12,550.00		
Plumbing-Gas Inspections Revolving	14,385.00		
D.E.P. Water Loss Prevention Project	(3,259.16)		
Landfill Closure	170.55		
Hatfield Elementary School Project	48,798.30		
Technology Upgrades	728.95		
Accounting Software	2,293.33		
Assessing/Collection Software	796.34		
Fire Truck	14.10		
Backhoe	25.01		
Dump Truck	113.00		
Assessors Maps	124.86		
Ambulance Storage Facility	194.04		
North Hatfield Sewer Replacement	36,859.00		
Library Roof	740.33		
West St (Rt 5&10) Sewer Project	82.39		
Purchase Billings Way Property	31,800.00		
School Kitchen Equipment	5,504.21		
Compactor-Transfer Station	2,525.00		
Fire Hose	8.00		
Michael Slys		9,600.78	
Maude Boli		42,947.58	
Graduation		110,930.20	
Cemetery		84,962.36	
Cemetery - State Holdings		300.00	
Tobacco Shed		10,000.00	
Stabilization		377,109.17	
Michael Slys		430.44	
325th Anniversary		4,696.26	
Ambulance		15,160.88	
Maude Boli		12,480.14	
Graduation		25,158.85	
Town Land Preservation Fund		57,307.00	
Land Preservation - T.M.		72,400.00	
Tobacco Shed		2,079.94	
Unemployment Trust		20,311.38	
Cemetery Interest		13,517.36	
Stabilization-Capital Fund		47,249.96	
Bonds Auth.-Roads, Bridge & Gore			(1,400,000.00)
Bonds Auth.-Sewer, Bridge & Gore			(350,300.00)
Bonds Auth.-S.A. HVAC			(130,000.00)
BVA Offset-Roads, Bridge & Gore			1,400,000.00
BVA Offset-Sewer, Bridge & Gore			350,300.00
BVA Offset-S.A. HVAC			130,000.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>988,250.31</b>	<b>1,806,204.04</b>	<b>906,642.30</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$3,931,838.89</b>	<b>\$2,255,671.27</b>	<b>\$908,447.33</b>
			<b>\$4,243,205.46</b>



# FY 2008 REVENUE REPORT

FY08 BUDGET	FY08 REVENUE THRU 06/30/08
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## TAXES AND EXCISES

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	185,338	184,506
REAL ESTATE TAXES	4,809,738	4,763,155
ALLOW FOR ABATE & EXEMPTS	(62,768)	
TAX LIENS REDEEMED		18,522
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	433,000	615,135
FOREST PRODUCTS TAXES		
FARM ANIMAL EXCISE		907
CH 61 ROLL BACK TAXES		
P/MS IN LIEU OF R E TAXES		1,713
INTEREST ON PROPERTY TAXES	20,000	35,947
INTEREST ON EXCISES		1,978
INTEREST ON TAX LIENS		12,699
INTEREST ON FARM ANIMALS		34
MOBILE HOME EXCISE	5,760	4,800
<b>TOTAL TAXES AND EXCISES</b>	<b>5,391,068</b>	<b>5,639,396</b>

## TRASH RECEIPTS

TRASH RECEIPTS PERMITS	70,000	24,861
TRASH DUMPING STICKERS		29,350
TRASH DUMPING FEES		11,363
<b>TOTAL TRASH RECEIPTS</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>65,574</b>

## DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

SELECTMEN FEES		340
BOH FEES		4,275
POLICE ACCIDENT REPORTS		176
RMV MARKING CLEAR CHARGES		2,205
FIRE DEPT FEES		7,484
TAX COLLECTOR FEES	46,000	10,407
TOWN CLERK FEES		7,573
TAX TITLE RELEASE FEES		
DOG LICENSES		1,900
PLANNING BOARD FEES		1,400
CONS COMM FEES		75
ZONING BOARD FEES		200
POLICE DETAIL ADMIN FEE		2,001
COBRA ADMIN FEES		33
LIQUOR LICENSES		13,925
LINCENSES OTHER		600
PERMITS BUILDING DEPT	80,000	46,508
PERMITS POLICE DEPT		3,100
PERMITS PLUMBING		-
PERMITS GAS		-



PERMITS WIRING
PERMITS RAFFLES
PERMITS TAG SALES
PERMITS OTHER
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT REVENUE</b>

	770
126,000	102,972

#### STATE REVENUE

STATE OWNED LAND
ABATEMENTS TO VETERANS
ABATEMENTS TO ELDERLY
SCHOOL AID CH70
SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION
VETERANS BENEFITS
VETS-BLIND & SURVIVING SP
EXEMPTIONS - ELDERLY
LOTTERY AID
ROOM OCCUPANCY
ABANDONED PROPERTY-STATE
CHARTER SCHOOL REIMB
<b>TOTAL STATE REVENUE</b>

1,343	1,343
13,625	11,800
12,550	11,546
790,818	790,818
	24,972
3,543	4,859
388,341	388,341
	4,004
	520
60,829	33,984
1,271,049	1,272,187

#### OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL

RMV FINES
DISTRICT COURT FINES
DOG FINES
PARKING FINES
NON CRIMINAL TOWN FINES
<b>TOTAL OTHER INTERGOVERN</b>

43,000	57,983
	5,935
43,000	63,918

#### MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS
NSF CHECK CHARGES
STREET LIST SALES
COPIES
SALE OF BYLAWS
REFUND OF PRIOR YEAR EXP
SALE OF SURPLUS
MEDICAIDE REIMB
VARIOUS FEES & REIMBURSE
MISC REVENUE
<b>TOTAL MISC SOURCES</b>

90,000	81,061
	450
	469
	186
	2,318
	43,108
47,700	28,380
137,700	155,972

#### OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

TRANS FROM AMBULANCE
TRANS FROM WATER
TRANS FROM SEWER

59,545	59,545
162,960	162,960
5,331	5,331

TRANS FROM SEPTIC BETTER
TRANS FROM SCH SBA REIMB
TRANS FROM BOND PREMIUM
TRANS FROM STABILIZATION
TRANS FROM UNEMPLOY TRST
TRANS FROM TOBACCO BARN
FREE CASH TO FUND BUDGET
OVERLAY SURPLUS
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE
<b>TTL OTHER FINANCE SOURCES</b>

2,586	2,586
9,721	9,721
600	600
23,000	23,000
263,743	263,743

<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>
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7,302,560	7,563,762
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# EXPENDITURE REPORT

FY 2008

ORIGINAL	BUDGET	REVISED	EXPENDED
BUDGET	REVISIONS	BUDGET	6/30/2008

MODERATOR	80		80	80
SELECTMEN PS	6,615		6,615	6,615
SELECTMEN EXP	1,320	3,163	4,483	4,483
CABLE TV CH15-PS	7,880		7,880	7,880
TOWN ADMIN PS	42,739		42,739	42,739
TOWN ADMIN EXP	500		500	500
OFFICE SUPPLIES EXP	4,809		4,809	4,809
COMPUTER MAINT EXP	16,910		16,910	12,410
FINANCE COMM EXP	175		175	149
FINANCE COMM RES	20,000	(17,476)	2,524	
ACCOUNTANT PS	18,397		18,397	18,397
ACCOUNTANT EXP	3,920		3,920	3,828
TOWN AUDIT EXP	9,326		9,326	9,326
ASSESSORS PS	6,250		6,250	6,250
ASSESSORS STAFF PS	56,749		56,749	56,744
ASSESSORS EXP	10,545		10,545	9,392
TREASURER PS	30,982		30,982	30,982
TOWN CK/TREAS CERT	2,000		2,000	2,000
TREASURER EXP	9,580	-	9,580	9,555
COLLECTORS PS	25,285		25,285	25,285
COLLECTORS EXP	16,307		16,307	16,051
LEGAL SERVICES	18,025	10,000	28,025	26,471
SECRETARY STAFF PS	45,230	(1,278)	43,952	43,647
TOWN CLERK PS	20,655		20,655	20,655
TOWN CLK/TREAS PS	13,795		13,795	12,377
TOWN CLERK EXP	4,248		4,248	4,226
ELECTIONS PS	5,283		5,283	5,152
ELECTIONS EXP	2,309		2,309	1,252
OLIVER SMITH PS	1		1	1
CONS COMM EXP	450		450	93
PLANNING BD PS	2,000		2,000	1,955
PLANNING BD CLERICAL PS	1,000		1,000	201
PLANNING BD EXP	3,000		3,000	1,122
ZBA PS	375		375	150
ZBA EXP	600		600	401
REDEVELOPMENT PS	-			
REDEVELOPMENT EXP	-			
PUBLIC BLDGS PS	6,924	125	7,049	7,049
PUBLIC BLDGS EXP	37,420		37,420	37,420
TOWN CLOCK EXP	400		400	
INSURANCE EXP	120,000	(37,000)	83,000	80,310
PRINT TOWN REPORT	1,100		1,100	942
HAMP CTY OF GOVERN	4,000		4,000	4,000
FKLN CTY OF GOVERN	500		500	500
PIONEER VALLEY ASSESS	500		500	487
	-			
TOTAL GEN GOVT	578,184	(42,466)	535,718	515,886
	-			



		ORIGINAL	BUDGET	REVISED	EXPENDED
		BUDGET	REVISIONS	BUDGET	6/30/2008
POLICE DEPT	PS	120,112		120,112	111,752
POLICE DEPT	EXP	15,600		15,600	15,605
REG LOCKUP FACILITY	EXP	3,500		3,500	3,019
FIRE DEPT	PS	70,416	2,062	72,478	72,478
FIRE DEPT	EXP	19,234	(909)	18,325	18,119
AMULANCE	PS	36,045		36,045	36,044
AMBULANCE	EXP	13,000		13,000	13,000
AMB BILLING	EXP	3,600		3,600	3,600
AMB A.L.S. CONTRACT	EXP	5,400		5,400	5,400
INSPECTORS	PS	52,642		52,642	52,642
INSPECTORS	EXP	4,397		4,397	3,578
INSP ANIMALS	PS	1,299		1,299	1,299
INSP ANIMALS	EXP	79		79	
EMERGENCY PLAN	PS	2,678		2,678	2,678
EMERGENCY PLAN	EXP	625		625	555
DOG OFFICER	PS	1,299		1,299	1,299
DOG OFFICER	EXP	741		741	159
TREE WARDEN	EXP	15,000		15,000	15,000
		-			
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAF</b>		<b>365,667</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>366,820</b>	<b>356,227</b>
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE STIPEND		-			
SCHOOLS	EXP	3,812,754		3,812,754	3,384,897
VOC TUITION/TRAN	EXP	364,020		364,020	364,020
		-			
<b>TOTAL SCHOOLS</b>		<b>4,176,774</b>		<b>4,176,774</b>	<b>3,748,917</b>
		-			
DPW	EXP	3,890		3,890	3,442
HIGHWAY DEPT	PS	208,000		208,000	220,207
HIGHWAY DEPT	EXP	62,650		62,650	79,946
STREET LIGHTS	EXP	26,400	(1,673)	24,727	24,727
TOWN MECHANIC	EXP	104,352		104,352	113,650
TRANSFER STA	PS	14,400	841	15,241	13,907
TRANSFER STA	EXP	54,300		54,300	53,146
CEMETERY	PS	-			
CEMETERY	EXP	18,500		18,500	11,262
		-			
<b>TOTAL DPW</b>		<b>492,492</b>	<b>(832)</b>	<b>491,660</b>	<b>520,287</b>
		-			
BD OF HEALTH	PS	13,390		13,390	13,390
BD OF HEALTH	EXP	1,650		1,650	1,471
EMERG PERS MED	EXP	2,000		2,000	
COUNCIL ON AGE	PS	30,769		30,769	30,769
TRANS OF ELDER	PS	21,495		21,495	21,264
COUNCIL ON AGE	EXP	1,829		1,829	1,805
VETERANS SERV	PS	1,500		1,500	1,500
VETERANS BENE	EXP	6,972	12,358	19,330	19,330
		-			
<b>TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES</b>		<b>79,605</b>	<b>12,358</b>	<b>91,963</b>	<b>89,529</b>
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		ORIGINAL	BUDGET	REVISED	EXPENDED
		BUDGET	REVISIONS	BUDGET	6/30/2008
LIBRARY	PS	52,934		52,934	52,934
LIBRARY	EXP	32,488	405	32,893	32,693
RECREATION	PS	2,553		2,553	2,553
RECREATION	EXP	6,500		6,500	6,500
HISTORICAL	EXP	2,740		2,740	2,121
VETERANS MEMORIAL	EXP	1,200		1,200	493
WINTER HOLIDAY	EXP	400		400	128
CULTURE COUNCIL	EXP	25		25	25
		-			
<b>TOTAL CULTURAL</b>		<b>98,840</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>99,245</b>	<b>97,447</b>
		-			
DEBT SERVICE - PRIN		535,357		535,357	532,091
DEBT SERVICE - INT		100,305		100,305	87,678
INT PROBABLE		2,200		2,200	45
		-			
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>		<b>637,862</b>		<b>637,862</b>	<b>619,814</b>
		-			
CHARTER SCH	EXP	121,719		121,719	86,234
SCH CHOICE	EXP	257,499		257,499	233,756
AIR POLL CONTRL	EXP	875		875	875
RMV NON-RENEW	EXP	2,240		2,240	2,620
		-			
<b>TOT INTERGOV'T</b>		<b>382,333</b>		<b>382,333</b>	<b>323,485</b>
		-			
HAMP CTY RETIRE		225,830		225,830	222,035
CH32 INSURANCE		294,700	(8,556)	286,144	267,909
MEDICARE/SSI		44,500	938	45,438	45,161
UNEMPLOYMENT		-			
		-			
<b>TOTAL MISC EXP</b>		<b>565,030</b>	<b>(7,618)</b>	<b>557,412</b>	<b>535,105</b>
		-			
		-			
<b>TOTAL GEN FUND</b>		<b>7,376,787</b>	<b>(37,000)</b>	<b>7,339,787</b>	<b>6,806,697</b>

## TOWN MEETING VOTE A/Cs THRU JUNE 30, 2008

A/C NAME	6/30/07 BALANCE	FY08 EXPENSED	6/30/08 BALANCE
SELECT-BLDG APPRAISE	200.00		200.00
PURSUE POWER SUPPLY	1,157.00		1,157.00
HCOG ELECTRICITY P/G	237.00		237.00
TOWN HALL COPIER LEASE	2,628.30	2,235.61	392.69
PANTRY/LINSEED APPRAISE	1,700.00		1,700.00
BILLINGS WAY APPRAISE	2,425.00		2,425.00
CONNECT-CTY SERVICE	9,018.00	3,006.00	6,012.00
ASST. ASSESSOR CERTIFICATE	1,000.00		1,000.00
TAX TITLE FUNDS	4,728.16		4,728.16
MASTER PLAN PHASE III	1,305.63		1,305.63
TOWN HALL RESTORE	1,231.49		1,231.49
FY05 TOWN REPORT	10.00		10.00
POLICE CRUISER	870.00		870.00
POLICE CRUISER-2007	28,000.00	27,969.00	31.00
FIREFIGHTER TURNOUT GEAR	3,339.19		3,339.19
RENOVATE FIRE STATION	8,100.00		8,100.00
FIRE DEPT COMMAND VEHICLE	28,000.00	27,978.00	22.00
AMB BLDG ROOF & GUTTERS	2,225.00		2,225.00
SMITH ACADEMY ARCHITECT	3,235.00		3,235.00
SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE	210.00		210.00
SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE	2,992.50		2,992.50
NEW SCH ARBRITR/LITIGATE EXP	1,401.74		1,401.74
SCHOOL EXTERIOR HARDWARE	12,500.00	9,740.00	2,760.00
SCH SERVERS & WORK STATIONS	47,500.00	47,500.00	-
N HATFIELD RD DRAINAGE	18.57		18.57
COA '06 FORD E350 VAN	118.00		118.00
LIBRARY FEASIBILITY STUDY	8,000.00		8,000.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>172,150.58</b>	<b>118,428.61</b>	<b>53,721.97</b>

## FY07 ENCUMBRANCES THRU JUNE 30, 2008

A/C NAME	6/30/07 BALANCE	FY08 EXPENSE	6/30/08 BALANCE
SELECTMEN	49.68	49.68	
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	1040.00	951.59	88.41
ASSESSORS	2,250.00	2,250.00	
PLANNING BOARD	777.37	777.37	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	1,300.00	1,098.00	202
TOWN CLOCK MAINTENANCE	400	300	100
POLICE	950	659.78	290.22
FIRE	325	135	190
SCHOOL	278,359.51	278,359.51	
TRANSFER STATION	924		924
VETERANS AGENT	1,500.00	1,375.00	125
LIBRARY	21		21
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	213.4	175	38.4
CH32 HEALTH INSURANCE	500	295	205
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>285,401.88</b>	<b>284,531.25</b>	<b>870.63</b>

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

2008 was a time of change for the Assessor's Office. In May, Ronald Punska, who had served as Assessor on numerous occasions, was re-elected to the board. Mr. Punska took the place of Christopher Smith, who had served since May 1996, and was very knowledgeable in both the town and assessing. His expertise will be missed. In July Barbara Miller, who had been the Administrative Assistant Assessor since 2004, took the position of Director of Assessing for the Town of Montague. While this was certainly a loss for Hatfield, her departure opened the door for the return of David Zagorski. David had previously worked in Hatfield as Assessors' Clerk, leaving in 2007 to become Director of Assessments in Granby. Now he is back where he belongs and ready to follow in Ms. Miller's footsteps. Finally, Jeannie Belden, a long time resident of the Town of Hatfield and Assessors' Clerk, chose to work full time for the City of Easthampton. The board would like to thank Jeannie and Barbara for their service to the town and welcome our new clerk, Jennifer Williams.

Despite a harsh economic climate the board was able to keep the tax rate down to a modest increase of .21 cents. Considering the hard times that are coming, we hope we'll be able to repeat this feat. We ask for your patience & understanding as we all work through this down turn.

The real estate information is available through the town website [www.townofhatfield.org](http://www.townofhatfield.org) (Click on Town Offices. Below Assessors Office there is a link to the Property Assessed Values). Feel free to call the Assessors' Office (413) 247-0322 for assistance with the website or questions regarding valuations, exemptions, abatements or any concerns you may have. Meetings are held on alternating Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. open to the public.

### Tax Rate Recapitulation Fiscal Year 2008

#### Amount to be Raised

Total Budget	\$7,981,195.00
Total Cherry Sheet Offsets	233,523.00
Debt and Interest	.00
Overlay (Abatements & Exemptions)	62,767.51
State & County Cherry Sheet Charge	382,333.00
Community Preservation	178,647.48
Snow and Ice Deficit	.00
	<b>\$8,838,465.99</b>

#### Revenue Sources

State Estimated Receipts	\$1,504,572.00
Local Estimated Receipts	840,205.00
Enterprise funds (Water & Sewer)	668,491.00
Free Cash	341,123.00
Community Preservation Funds	175,555.00
Other Available Funds	313,444.00
	<b>\$3,843,390.00</b>
Fiscal Year 2008 Tax Levy	\$4,995,075.99

### Abatements & Exemptions Granted for Fiscal Year 2008

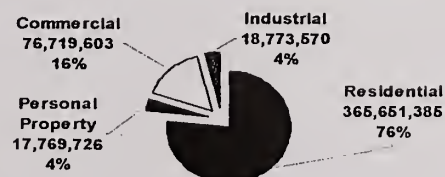
#	Abatement Type	Amount
10	Real Estate Abatements	\$3,585.82
1	Personal Property Abatement	\$93.87
33	Veterans	16,900.00
22	Elderly, age 70+ (41C)	11,000.00
4	Elderly, age 70+ (17D) or Widow/er (17D)	700.00
2	Blind (37A)	1,000.00
1	Hardship (18)	1,000.00
1	Spouse, fireman (died line of duty)	2,587.68
	<b>Total Granted</b>	<b>\$36,867.37</b>

# Of Deferred Taxes	Type	Amount
1	Real Estate	\$2,308.80

#### Motor Vehicle Excise

#### Committed in Calendar Year 2008

Year	# Bills	Total Value	Total Tax
2008	4,925	\$24,320,800	\$552,774.09
2007	132	2,571,700	43,932.31



*Hatfield Board of Assessors:* Edward W. Lesko, Jr., *Chair*, Ronald J. Punska, Frederick A. Martin



## AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Pursuant to the Zoning Bylaws, the AAC received notice of any projects involving a Special Permit, Special Permit with Site Plan Approval, and/or Site Plan Review. Projects were reviewed as to their impact on agriculture in the town and comments forwarded to the Planning Board.

The commission prepared a flyer highlighting the provisions of the town's Right to Farm Bylaw and announced agricultural activities and events throughout the year. This information was sent to all residents as part of an insert in the Annual Town Survey package.

The commission distributed the 2008-09 edition of "Hatfield's Farms," a brochure and map highlighting farm stands and operations in town that sell products directly to consumers. The brochure now includes 21 farm businesses in town. Art students at Smith Academy again provided artwork for the brochure. Copies were provided to all the farmers listed in the brochure and made available at businesses and public buildings around town.

With a fourth grant from the Cultural Council, the commission worked with the Smith Academy Art Department to prepare a fourth farm mural to celebrate farming and the heritage of agriculture in Hatfield. This mural was co-sponsored by the Western Massachusetts Food Bank. This collaboration enabled students to gain a better understanding of the mission and work of the Food Bank. The theme of the mural was the connection between farmers and farming and the good work of the Food Bank in providing for those in need. The mural is displayed alongside the Food Bank's distribution center on North Hatfield Road. The 2008 project was supported in part by a grant from the Massachusetts Agriculture in the Classroom Program. The original 2005 mural is now formally installed in the Mary Lou and Robert Cutter Farm Museum on Billings Way behind the Library. The 2006 mural has been installed on the Malinowski barn on Route 5 in North Hatfield. The 2007 mural is now displayed on the Zygmunt barn (Main Street) on the north side of town. Be on the lookout for announcements of future murals. The commission is interested in hearing from anyone who would be willing to have a mural featured on one of their barns.

The Commission again contributed to the Hatfield Historical Society Annual Farm Festival in October. Dubbed "Hatfield Harvest," the commission hosted a farmers' market and agriculture information fair at the annual event held at the Mary Lou and Robert Cutter Barn Museum. In conjunction with the festival, the commission cooperated with a local citizens' group to organize a very successful 5K Road Race that featured a course on the farm roads along the Connecticut River. Also featured were local agricultural products given as gifts and awards for the participants.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Wagner, Chair  
Richard Belden  
Richard Malinowski  
John Pease  
Russell Powell



## **AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT**

Recently, a member of our department retired from the town. Worth Noyes (“The Rev”) is going to be missed as a member of our EMS team. Over the years, Reverend Noyes has helped countless people and patients while with the ambulance service. Many emergency medical personnel, fire fighters, and their families (including mine) are grateful for the friend he has been and will continue to be. We would like to offer our gratitude to him.

Our staff is made of busy people with careers and family who selflessly give their “spare” time and energy to staff an ambulance for the Town of Hatfield. The Ambulance Department has responded to a variety of emergencies and cared for those in need. The training and professionalism that comes from this volunteer service is commendable. If you ever need our services you can expect the best and you will get it.

Once again the staff will be asked to do more to improve emergency medical services by submitting data to The Commonwealth of Massachusetts. We hope to be able to do this with computers in the near future. With these computers and special software we will also be able to submit ambulance billing to our medical billing company for more efficient processing, which may help our collection rates.

During 2008 the Ambulance Department responded to one hundred seventy-four calls for help staffed by William Belden, EMT, Robert Englehardt, EMT, Kerry Flaherty, EMT-I, Robert Flaherty, EMT-I, Gregory Gagnon, EMT-I, Stephen Gaughan, EMT-P, Ken Handfield, EMT, Jessica Kaczinski, EMT, Justin Kaczinski, EMT, David Leuschner, EMT, Cessie Pelis, EMT, and Richard Roberts, EMT,

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory J. Gagnon, EMTI  
Ambulance Manager

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

The Hatfield Board of Health is comprised of an elected three-member group of town residents. The scope of our work is to uphold and enforce the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Regulations (Sanitary/Housing 105 CMR) and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Regulations (310 CMR) as they pertain to the health and safety of the citizens of Hatfield. Our duties are authorized under The Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Laws.

Hatfield's Board of Health is unique given the level of experience and training of the members. All inspections, consultations, and oversight are conducted by the board members. The Board of Health conducts regular food establishment and housing inspections. Any public health complaints are followed-up and dealt with by the board. Septic system inspections, comprised of percolation test witnessing and reviewing of the plan design, fall under the board's jurisdiction. Other areas of involvement include but are not limited to tobacco control, communicable disease reporting and insect control (such as rabies and West Nile Virus), air quality and noise control, health statistics as they pertain to Hatfield in relation to Massachusetts and the U.S. emergency planning, food recall monitoring/notification, beaver conflict, hoarding, and vaccination distribution. The scope of practice is wide and varied.

Massachusetts Public Health Statutes and Regulations, as well as federal codes, are frequently revised, up-dated, and enhanced. Careful and regular examination by the Board of Health is required for the proper interpretation and incorporation for the Town of Hatfield. The board remains active in regular trainings and attends annual educational conferences held for local health boards in Massachusetts to stay current with public health practices.

Meetings are held twice monthly in the Board of Health office located downstairs in the Hatfield Memorial Town Hall. The Board of Health may be reached at 247-0497 or 247-9200.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Bokina, Chair  
Stanley Sliwoski  
A. Cory Bardwell

## CEMETERY COMMISSION

With the transfer of the mowing and trimming of the town's five cemeteries under the supervision of the DPW, we continue to enjoy not only the wonderful appearance, but savings to the town especially with the economic crisis all towns are facing. The 2007-08 budget was going to be \$18,000.00 using outside providers, but in fact it came in at approximately \$11,500.00 under the DPW.

\$9,000.00 for labor. Trimming and "weed whacking" is time-consuming, but necessary. Mowing a cemetery is not as easy as an open lawn.

\$2,500.00 (expenses for a small riding mower and repairs for it and the trimmers). We need to buy a new mower and trimmers every two years. This is included in the budget.

Of this total, \$6,000.00 comes from interest on the Perpetual Care Account; and \$5,500.00 comes directly from taxation.

Mowing and trimming work is totally dependent upon the weather; the more rain we get, the more the grass grows. If we have a dry season, the need for mowing is decreased.

Vince Paniczko has been fantastic in his efforts of keeping the cemeteries looking so good! We wish to thank him openly.

Please keep in mind that it is up to each of us as individuals to remove any boxes or seasonal items at plots, as we do not have a maintenance person. If the mower accidentally catches something, it becomes dangerous to anyone nearby and damaging to the machinery. You have all been very diligent in this and we do thank you.

We welcome Rich Parsiliti as a new member this year. Rich is involved with the cemeteries in Northampton and should be able to help us in keeping details up-to-date.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Lavalley, Chair  
Jonathan Bardwell  
Rich Parsiliti



## COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Residents of Hatfield:

Thank you to all town employees and departments for assistance and support provided to the Council on Aging and senior citizens. A very special thanks to our many volunteers for the 5,354 hours of service they have donated this past year. We cannot express enough our deep appreciation to these dedicated people for their skills, knowledge, time and assistance. With continuing budget issues, we have endured with the help of volunteers who play a very important role in providing and maintaining programs and activities. We applaud and honor them each spring at our annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner and extend special thanks to Wayne Cournoyer for his support. We also wish to thank Police Chief Thomas Osley for his support of the TRIAD Program, and the residents of this community for continued support and donations throughout the year.

The Council on Aging consists of five board members, Rev. Worth Noyes, Kathy Tefft, Amanda Zygmunt, Angela Wright, and David Hurley. Jane Betsold is the COA Director. COA van drivers are Marion Lapienski, Nancy Noyes, Peggy Mientka, Jack Reilly, Glenn Zygmunt, and Christine Doty. June May is our Volunteer Coordinator/Assistant and we enjoy the help of many other volunteers. We take this opportunity to thank Rev. Worth Noyes for over 20 years of dedication and service to the Council on Aging and to the senior citizens of Hatfield. Unfortunately, Rev. Noyes resigned during this past year and will be greatly missed. We wish him the best. The Council on Aging and Senior Center located downstairs in the Town Hall is open Monday through Friday. We may be reached at 247-9003. If there is no answer, please leave a message on the machine. Our meetings are held monthly at the Senior Center and dates and times are posted outside the Town Clerk's office.

We have applied for and received grants from Highland Valley Elder Services to support our quarterly newsletter; and also the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to provide a Program Coordinator/Office Assistant, Volunteer Recognition, and establish new programs. The Hatfield Book Club was generous in providing funding to improve our Senior/Dining Center. Many donations of books, magazines, and medical equipment have been made to the COA with much appreciation. We also received funding to support our TRIAD program activities through the Hatfield Police Department.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Transportation with the COA van is available to all persons residing in Hatfield, age 60 or older with priority given to those without any transportation. Appointments can be made by calling the COA office in advance. We thank our van drivers, Marion Lapienski, Nancy Noyes, Peggy Mientka, Jack Reilly, Glenn Zygmunt, and Christine Doty for the dedication, patience and assistance they provide. Being the only means of transportation in Hatfield this service is of great importance and the elderly rely on us for their transportation needs. For the many residents who are no longer driving, this service helps in maintaining an independent way of living for them.

**HIGHLAND VALLEY ELDER SERVICES NUTRITION PROGRAM:** Congregate and home delivered meals are available to Hatfield residents age 60 and over. You may contact Highland Valley Elder Services at 586-2000 or the COA office at 247-9003 for meals information. Meals are served daily Tuesday through Friday 11:30 AM at the Town Hall. There is always a need for volunteers for the Nutrition Program if anyone is interested.

**OTHER PROGRAMS:** We have coordinated and organized for many health clinics, programs, and speakers throughout the year—a quarterly Newsletter, Magazine & Book Exchange Program, Flu Clinic, Blood Pressure Screenings, Fuel Assistance Program, Food Assistance Program, Free Tax Assistance Program, Monthly Food Surplus Distribution, AARP Safe Driving Program; Misc. Health & Foot



Screenings, the SHINE Program, Medicare & Medicaid Speakers, Medical & Nutritional Speakers, the TRIAD Program, Computer Instructions, Medical Equipment Loan Program, Tai Chi Classes by Brian Stoia, and the Low Impact Exercise Program with Kathy Tefft. Our outreach and assistance to “at risk” elders has continued to increase. Please don’t hesitate to call our office before small problems become too difficult to control. Recreational activities available throughout the year have been: weekly bingo games, evening bingo parties, holiday parties, volunteer recognition, mall shopping and motor coach trips. We held our third Health & Safety Fair with many participants in the spring. The next Health & Safety Fair will be held on May 19, 2009 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM downstairs in the Town Hall.

The Council on Aging provides services to over 840 Hatfield residents that are over 60 years of age. We continue to maintain our current programs and activities and look ahead to what may be needed in the future. Our goal is to provide the best quality of services to the community with resources that are available, and to meet the needs of the growing population of residents to the best of our ability. Working with local and regional agencies allows us to identify and develop community resources, provide needed information, referral, and outreach on safety, health, nutrition and education. We are very fortunate to have a community that supports us with the necessary resources to maintain elders’ independent “living at home” status, and to provide a healthy, safe environment to enhance quality of life. Explore your future, do not wait until there is a need, know what is available ahead of time, and be prepared for whatever life throws your way. We encourage the public to become involved in what we are doing and to support ideas that provide for a better way of life. Community input is important and always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Worth Noyes, Chairperson  
Kathy Tefft, Vice Chairperson  
Amanda Zygmunt, Secretary  
Angela Wright, Member  
David Hurley, Member  
Jane Betsold, Director

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

The Community Preservation Committee spent the year organizing the committee, educating itself on the implementation of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) and preparing application materials and related information and documentation for the inaugural round of applications for funding from the town's CPA fund. The application period was opened on October 1, 2008 with a deadline for submission of proposals of December 1. Five applications were received in this initial round. At year's end the committee was reviewing the proposals in anticipation of preparing its recommendations for May 2009 Town Meeting.

In October, Hatfield received its first disbursement of matching funds from the state's CPA Trust Fund. We received \$102,586 - a 100% match of our Fiscal Year 2008 local CPA revenue!

As of the end of 2008, committee members were:

Bob Wagner, Chair  
George Ashley, Co-Chair  
Cory Bardwell  
Michael Bartlett  
Peter Cocks  
Ron Sassi  
John Wilkes  
John Woodward  
Housing Authority (seat vacant)

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Residents of Hatfield:

During 2008, the Conservation Commission held eight public meetings, including five public hearings responding to ten applications for activities in or near wetlands. These applications dealt with the herbicide treatment along I-91, the subdivision off Chestnut Street, building replacements and additions, septic system replacement, construction of a restaurant, and construction of a driveway. All applications were approved with special conditions or modifications required to protect the wetland resources of Hatfield.

Six additional proposed activities were reviewed for various parties and it was determined that wetlands resources regulated by the commission were not in immediate proximity and/or that no permit was required. The commission also responded to several enforcement situations regarding unauthorized alteration of wetlands, floodplain, or buffer zone, and issued two enforcement orders.

Mike Antosz was appointed as member representative to the Town of Hatfield Stormwater Commission.

The commission funded a vernal pool study resulting in the certification of two additional vernal pools in Hatfield, as well as educating the public on the value of these wetland systems.

The commission discussed the proposal for the removal of the Prospect Street dam, and was generally opposed to the concept due to the potential for adverse impacts on upgradient and downgradient wetland resources.

The wetland and floodplain resources in Hatfield are extensive and generally of extremely high quality. These areas are critical to flood control, drinking water supply, surface water quality, and wildlife and aquatic habitat. The commission wishes to thank the citizens of Hatfield for their support during the year in the acceptance of the wetland bylaws and in compliance with the regulations of the Wetlands Protection Act. The town residents and businesses are encouraged to contact the commission if they have any questions regarding their existing or proposed actions in proximity to wetland resource areas.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul G. Davis, Chair  
Michael Antosz, Jr.  
A. Cory Bardwell  
Teresa Klepacki  
Ron Sassi  
Gordon Williams

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

I am pleased to submit this report regarding 2008 DPW activities:

1. The Cronin Hill Water Main Project was completed with the installation of 1600 feet of eight inch ductile iron pipe. The road was reclaimed and resurfaced with a base coat of blacktop.
2. Paving Projects included resurfacing Main Street from Maple Street to the School Street intersection, and Prospect Street from the Mill River Bridge to the intersection of Chestnut Street. Old Farms Road was reclaimed and repaved with two layers of blacktop.
3. With the repair of a significant leak this spring the Water Loss Program funded by DEP has been substantially completed.
4. Tree Work included 22 removals, 27 trimmings, and 26 stump grindings.
5. The Vehicle Maintenance Department, in addition to servicing all town department vehicles and equipment, did extensive repair to a Transfer Station roll off container.
6. The Wastewater Facility is beginning its 23<sup>rd</sup> year of operation. This past year 94,354,000 gallons of wastewater and 126,450 gallons of septage were treated at the facility.
7. The Water Filtration Facility is beginning its 12<sup>th</sup> year of operation. This past year the Water Department supplied 98,754,600 gallons of drinking water from three sources: 73,054,200 gallons from the Running Gutter Brook Reservoir with an additional 15,498,000 gallons from the West Hatfield Well, and 10,202,400 gallons from the Omasta Well.

DPW Projects planned for this year include:

1. Finish paving Cronin Hill Road, and resurface North Hatfield Road from the C&S Wholesale entrance to West Street.
2. Upgrading the Telemetry and Alarm Systems at the Water and Wastewater Facilities.
3. Upgrade electrical components and wiring at the Bradstreet and Elm Court Pump Station.
4. Implement a Water Audit and Conservation Program funded with a DEP Grant.

Last year two members of our DPW work force left and three others were hired. Water Operator, Ed Wroblewski retired and Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor, Jim Szynal is now employed by Mass Highway. Together they have performed many years of valuable service to Hatfield.

I would like to thank Bill Young, Jim Szynal, Ed Wroblewski, Brian McGrath, Jim Lavallee, Jim Klepacki, Mark Hebert, Tony Lastowski, Martin Dellert, Vince Paniczk, Dave Omasta, John Szych, Harry Lizek, and Don Vollinger for their efforts last year. I would also like to thank the Town Hall staff, Board of Selectmen and other departments and boards I have had the privilege to work with during this past year.

Respectively submitted,

Frank Motyka  
DPW Director



## OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

With the deliberate and dedicated support from the 15-member Emergency Management Planning Committee, this has been a highly successful year. Key among our efforts was adoption of a comprehensive Town Mitigation Plan, which targets specific potential hazards and outlines corrective measures prior to an incident. Major contributors in this endeavor were Fire Chief William Belden, Police Chief Thomas Osley, and DPW Director Frank Motyka.

Other accomplishments this year included two emergency exercises conducted by MEMA and FEMA in which twelve committee members participated. Our group was the largest of the 25 plus participating communities. Among the lessons learned from these exercises was the value of mutual aid agreements, of which Hatfield is a part. Emergency Management, Fire Department, Police Department, Ambulance Response and Department of Public Works are included in these agreements.

We now have obtained a computerized 3-dimensional aerial mapping system of the entire town. When installation has been completed, it will be made available to all town departments requiring detailed mapping images.

We continue to be active in the Hampshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee that provides a platform for the valued exchange of information and ideas. Also worthy of note are the following:

- The annual FEMA evaluation of readiness, compliance, response, and exercise participation, gave us a 97% rating.
- The Information and Emergency Notification System was used extensively during the year and has been a valuable tool in providing timely and accurate information with measurable results.
- We were pleased to have taken part in the Annual Council on Aging Health Fair. This gives us the opportunity to meet with the public and share with them ways in which they can contribute to individual and family emergency preparedness.

We welcome your comments and invite you to attend one of our meetings. Call 247-0480 for details.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Donaldson, Director

Police Chief Thomas Osley, Committee Chairman  
Fire Chief William Belden, Vice Chairman  
Marlene Michonski, Recording Secretary  
Jane Betsold, Council on Aging Director  
Ellen Bokina, Health Board Chairwoman  
Patrice Dardenne, School Superintendent  
Gregory Gagnon, Ambulance Manager

Charles Kellogg, Citizen-at-Large  
Ed Lesko, Citizen-at-Large  
Frank Motyka, DPW Director  
Rev. Worth Noyes, Citizen-at-Large  
Cindy Sadowski, RM  
Rene Venne, Jr., Business Rep.  
Darryl Williams, Selectman

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Residents of Hatfield:

The following is the Fire Department's Annual Report for the calendar year 2008.

### Incidents Reported/Investigated

Oven Fire	3	Sprinkler Activation	1
Lift Assist/First Responder	12	Burnt Food	5
Alarm Sounding	20	Motor Vehicle Accident	19
Vehicle Fire	5	Furnace Malfunction	1
Illegal Burn	8	Wires Down	19
Structure Fire	3	Mutual Aid	8
Brush Fire	6	Odor Investigation	8
Electrical Fire	2	Carbon Monoxide Alarm	3
River Rescue	1	<b>Total Calls Received</b>	<b>124</b>

### Inspections/Permits/Reports

Cutting/Welding	18	Rubbish Containers	9
LP Gas Storage	27	Underground Storage Tank	3
Above Ground Storage	1	Certificate of Occupancy	10
Smoke/CO Detector	31	Waste Oil	12
Flammables/Combustibles	20	Insurance Report	3
Crop Ripening	1	Underground Tank Removal	13
Fire Alarm System	4	Labor Housing	1
Transfer Tank	3	Aboveground Tank Removal	2
Liquor License Renewal	6	<b>Total</b>	<b>172</b>

**Firefighter Equipment Grant:** In December the department was notified by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety and Security of being approved for funding in the amount of \$3,897.00. This money was utilized to purchase 10 new Motorola V pagers, allowing the department to retire old Minitor II's that had become unreliable, and make it possible for each of the department personnel to have his/her own pager. Five pairs of structural firefighting gloves were also purchased to be issued as needed for replacements.

**S.A.F.E.:** Once again the department was awarded a grant in the amount of \$2,964.62 thru the Department of Fire Services Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) program. This money is used to help in the purchase of materials and props used in teaching fire safety topics in the schools and at our annual "Open House" held at the station for Fire Prevention Week in October. We continue to go to the Elementary School twice a year (once in the fall and then again just before school adjourns for the summer). We have also continued to teach the "Learn Not to Burn" series to the third graders, this being our third year for the program thanks to the cooperation of the school department. The Fire Department welcomes opportunities to teach fire safety at other events also. Please contact us if you would like to explore the possibility.

**Assistant to Firefighter Grant:** The department applied once again for this grant, but unfortunately received notice in the fall that our grant would not be funded. Grants will continue to be explored.

Capital item purchases and funding for the general operating expenses have been a struggle in line with other departments in town. This year at our Annual Town Meeting we will be looking to purchase a 1¾" hose and 2½" hose to replace our existing handlines. The new hose will be color coded to meet NFPA standards and will be replacing torn/worn hose, the newest being purchased in 2001. Currently, we have no spare hose so when the hose is used at a fire scene, it is immediately packed back onto the truck wet without a chance to fully dry, and that causes mold and rot. We hope the townspeople will continue to support the Fire Department regarding this request.

The Fire and Ambulance departments will be seeking to upgrade software that is currently used by both departments and has become obsolete. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is now requiring ambulances to report all runs as the fire departments currently do. This new software will allow reporting to happen, and we look for your support in this need also.

The Hatfield Fire Department lost a friend during the year when longtime former Chief Myron (Monty) Sikorski passed away. Monty led the department for 26 years, retiring in 1988. Members of the department were honored to provide him an escort through town and to his final resting place with six members being pall bearers. May he rest in peace.

Last year I announced that Deputy Chief John Pease and Firefighter Worth Noyes had to give up their roles as firefighters, but that they would be staying on with the department in other support capacities. For various reasons both submitted their resignations taking with them almost 60 years of service. They will be sorely missed. I wish both gentlemen the best of luck and extend sincere gratitude for all of their hard work and dedication to the department.

I am pleased to announce five individuals who joined the department this past year. They are Glenn LaFountain, Maeghan Ryan, Eric Liimatainen III, Joseph Hudock, Jr., and William Shea, Jr. This group has been working very hard with necessary training to allow them to enter into a burning building and perform other duties such as auto extrication, ice rescue and dealing with smoke and/or carbon monoxide alarms. This brings the department to 23 dedicated individuals who are willing to give their time to help protect fellow citizens with little compensation.

While the department has a good core of personnel, there is an on-going problem with "response time" due to the fact that all these people have full-time jobs, and although they are allowed to leave their places of business it takes time to get back into town. The Fire Department and the Board of Selectmen addressed this issue last year by signing a Mutual Aid Agreement with the Town of Whately wherein Whately will be contacted to respond if there is little or no response from Hatfield for confirmed structure fires. Likewise the Town of Hatfield's Fire Department will be reciprocating aid to the Town of Whately for the same reasons. The Hatfield and Whately Fire Departments have commenced joint training on Thursday evenings.

I would like to thank the citizens of Hatfield for their continued support, and the various boards and departments for assistance they have rendered over the past year. I would especially like to thank the men and woman of the Hatfield Fire Department for their hard work and dedication making this one of the best on-call departments in the area—an achievement they should all be proud of.

Respectfully submitted,

Fire Chief William A. Belden



## HATFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

2008 was a busy and productive year at the Hatfield Public Library as we continue to provide town residents with a welcoming and lively center for lifelong learning, personal enrichment and community interaction. The Library seeks to provide materials and services to residents of all ages, and makes every effort to meet the diverse needs and interests of the townspeople.

Children's services are a high priority and the library continues to offer a popular weekly craft and story hour for the town's youngest residents. We look forward to welcoming the first graders for a monthly visit, and are continually amazed by their enthusiasm for reading. We also offer special programs such as Mary Jo Maichak's seasonal storytelling performance of "Howlariious Halloween".

The Summer Reading Program is always a lively combination of activities and this year was no exception. Our goal is to keep children excited and engaged in reading over the summer. Seventy-seven children signed up for the program, which featured regular story hours and outstanding special performances. Two separate programs on wild animals kept the crowds enthralled, the music of the Toe Jam Puppet Band kept the audience jumping and laughing, and Magician Dan Bowen kept everyone wide-eyed. In addition, we run a Summer Reading Program for teens with the goal of attracting more of that age group into the library. We are most appreciative that these special programs are made possible with funding from the Hatfield Book Club, the Hatfield Cultural Council, the Florence Savings Bank, and the Friends of the Hatfield Public Library.

As always, the Friends of the Library continue to provide valuable support through fundraising, sponsoring programs and donating their time. This year they supplied the startup funds needed to institute wireless internet service at the Library, which is available 24 hours a day. Come inside, sit in your car, or relax on a bench with your laptop!

A highlight of 2008 was the implementation of a Planning and Design Grant received from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners in 2007. This grant is the chance to methodically assess all viable options for a public library in Hatfield and to make a recommendation on the best solution to meet the town's needs for the next 20 years.

The first order of business was to assemble a group of town residents to serve on the Library Facilities Needs Assessment Committee. After interviews with the Library Director and Trustees Sara Rosmassler and Dodie Gaudet, the following people were selected: Martin Antonetti, Susan Gaughan, Harold Green, Milton Howard, Mike Paszek and Mary Williams. In addition, Lynn Omasta (Historical Commission representative), Dodie Gaudet (Trustee representative) and Library Director Sheila McCormick are also members. Mike Paszek has since resigned due to the time commitment.

With much input from LFNAC members, Sheila wrote an extensive Building Program describing in detail the ideal library for Hatfield. This is the document that will guide the rest of the Planning and Design process. Copies are available at the library and the Town Hall. LFNAC spent much of the spring and summer months reading information from the architects who submitted documentation in response to the committee's Request for Qualifications in the state's Central Register. After weeks of discussion and deliberation, LFNAC interviewed 5 candidates and ultimately selected Stephen Hale of Boston. The committee began by looking at 5 possible situations: an addition and renovation to the current library in Dickinson Memorial; a new building near Dickinson Memorial; renovation of the Center School, an addition and renovation to Town Hall; and a new building near Smith Academy. The goal of the LFNAC is to choose the most appropriate site and complete the process by May 2009. All minutes and other committee information is available on the LFNAC blog at <http://hatfieldlfnac.blogspot.com/>



We say goodbye and thank you to Library Trustee Sarah Rossmassler, and offer a big welcome to Trustee Nina Antonetti, who brings new ideas and energy to the board.

The Library recorded over 8,500 patron visits, for a circulation of 21,563 items. Attendance at programs continues to rise. Use of public Internet computers is up. When times are challenging, library use increases. People borrow rather than buy. It's a perfect time to come in and check out the over 22,000 books we offer, along with DVDs, popular magazines, audio books, multimedia kits for preschoolers, music CDs, museum passes, access to online research databases, interlibrary loan, high-speed internet access computers, and a welcoming spot to meet your friends and neighbors.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Green, Chair  
Dodie Gaudet, Recording Secretary  
Nina Antonetti

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the residents of Hatfield:

During 2008 the Mary Lou and Robert F. Cutter Hatfield Farm Museum was open to visitors every Sunday afternoon from May to October and on several other occasions, on request. Student groups from the Hatfield Elementary School and Smith Academy also visited the museum.

The project of entering the entire inventory of items located in the Farm Museum to a computer database has continued. Items donated to the museum during 2008 have been added and the information is stored on paper printouts and removable flash drives. The staffing, cleaning, curating, recordkeeping, and repairing of the Farm Museum has been made possible by the volunteer labor of dozens of people (mostly members of the Hatfield Historical Society) whose help is greatly appreciated.

The Historical Commission, the Hatfield Historical Society, and the Agricultural Advisory Commission cooperated on the planning of the Annual Agricultural Festival that was held at the Farm Museum on the first Saturday in October. During the festival an Open House was held at the Farm Museum with a display of antique and classic cars, farm equipment, a demonstration of traditional hand weaving, cider making, and displays of produce by some of the farmers of Hatfield.

At the annual Harvest Dinner of the Historical Society in November, the Historical Commission presented the Historic Preservation Award to Christopher Smith in recognition of his efforts to preserve and protect the historic details of his home and business (Hatfield Printing and Publishing) formerly the Breor Tobacco sorting shop on Prospect Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Antonetti  
George H. Ashley, III, Chair  
Frederick Martin, Secretary  
Lynn Omasta

## INSPECTIONS SERVICES

To the Residents of Hatfield:

The Inspections Department is pleased to submit the Annual Report for fiscal year 2008.

The Building Inspector held office hours Monday thru Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Memorial Town Hall. The telephone number is 413-247-0491 and fax number is 413-247-5029.

### Building permits issued from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

Agricultural Buildings – new.....	10	Single-family dwelling – new.....	4
Business – renovation.....	7	Residential – renovation.....	31
Decks.....	18	Multi-family- renovations.....	1
Demolitions.....	8	Single-family – additions.....	3
Fence.....	3	Roofs/ siding/ windows.....	72
Garage – new / renovations.....	6	Signs.....	1
Wood, Pellet Stoves, Chimneys.....	8	Multi-Family-New.....	1
Multi-family – new.....	1		
Pool.....	5	Total Permits.....	192
Sheds, outbuildings/gazebo.....	13		

**Total Estimated Value of Buildings Permits:.....\$2,899,518.00**

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### Plumbing, Gas and Electrical Inspections July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

A permit is required for all electrical, plumbing and gas work, and our local inspectors must inspect the completed jobs. Permit applications may be obtained at Memorial Town Hall.

Mr. Stanley Symanski, Electrical Inspector, and David Lizek, Assistant Electrical Inspector, report 127 applications for permits to do electrical work.

Mr. Walter Geryk, Gas Inspector, reports 91 applications for permits to do gas work.

Mr. Walter Geryk, Plumbing Inspector, and Mr. Mal Cichy, Assistant Plumbing Inspector, report 103 Applications for permits to do plumbing work.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley Sadowski  
Inspector of Buildings  
Zoning Enforcement Officer

## OLIVER SMITH WILL

During Smith Charities' fiscal year, February 1, 2008 – January 31, 2009, the following applicants from Hatfield were paid as beneficiaries under the Oliver Smith Will:

2 Widows received gifts totaling	\$ 700.00
1 Tradesperson received a gift of \$600 plus an additional distribution of \$700 totaling	\$ 1,300.00
2 Brides received gifts totaling	\$ 200.00

Lydia Szych, Elector  
Under the Oliver Smith Will



## OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Having been short-handed for the last two years, the OSC is now pleased to report that it has six active members, only one short of its full complement. This is a particularly gratifying trend, not the least because the past year saw a considerable increase in the workload of the committee as it sought to carry out its required five-year update of the 2003 Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP.)

Much of the committee's business in 2008 (begun in 2007) was taken up with substantial reforming of that document. In this task we received invaluable professional advice from Anne Capra of the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) made possible by a generous grant from the Hatfield Conservation Commission. The exercise was important as the town seeks to preserve its open space and recreational resources. Beyond this, The Commonwealth requires that towns have a current open space plan, approved by the Division of Conservation Services, in order to qualify for state and local funding through such channels as the Community Preservation Act (CPA.) Open space, recreation, community housing, and historic preservation are the four designated areas in which CPA monies can be spent. The updating of the OSRP, which included a public meeting wherein town residents were invited to express their own priorities for open space in Hatfield, eventuated in a comprehensive document including a Five Year Action Plan that essentially forms the agenda for the OSC until 2013.

Passage of the CPA by the town opens up many possibilities for the implementation of the Five Year Action Plan, which the committee intends to pursue. OSC made an initial application for CPA funds from the Hatfield Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to carry out a study with PVPC for recreational hiking and biking paths in the town; an item in the action plan. The committee decided, however, to withdraw this application until the state legislature makes clearer whether such a study, together with the substantive issues it seeks to address, would fall squarely within the purview of the CPA. In addition, the Board of Selectmen charged OSC with the complementary task of participating in a Parks and Recreation Working Group Charter to pursue parks and recreation initiatives. That task, which entails coordination with the school and recreation committees, remains to be fulfilled.

The OSC continued its collaboration (begun in 2004) with Emily Case and her students at Smith Academy on the identification and registration of vernal pools with the National Heritage and Endangered Species Program. The Conservation Commission lent its financial support by way of paying wild life biologist Molly Hale's fee for providing expert advice both in the classroom and in the field.

Several members of OSC attended a workshop on the Heritage Landscape Inventory Program (HLIP) to identify and protect places of particular historical and cultural interest, offered through the state's Dept. of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). With the full cooperation of the Historical Commission and other boards in town, the OSC took the lead in a successful application for Hatfield's membership in that program, and organized an informational public forum at which town residents identified those sites they thought worthy of inclusion in the inventory. OSC member, Charlie Kellogg was designated the Local Project Coordinator for the Hatfield program. Moreover, the town was chosen as one of the communities to be the recipient of a reconnaissance survey carried out by the Office of Cultural Resources of DCR at no expense to the town. As part of the program, a number of town residents recently participated in a tour of potential HLIP sites.

The OSC continues to work with the Agricultural Advisory Committee and other town boards in its efforts to preserve land as open space in Hatfield via such avenues as possible land purchases, conservation easements, and the state's Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) Program. Meetings with Richard Hubbard of the Franklin Land Trust, and Terry Blunt of Conservation Works also provided the OSC with expert advice on such matters, for which we are very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Cocks, Chair, Michael Coffey, Angelica Dewey, Charlie Kellogg, Mark Gelotte, Steve Toulountzis

## PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board held twelve meetings during 2008 consisting of Public Hearings for Special Permits, Site Plan Approval Hearings, as well as regular business meetings. The board meets in the Town Hall on the first Monday and occasionally the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All meetings are open to the public and the board encourages input from the town residents. If any person wishes to meet with the board to discuss anything specific relative to land use or zoning, please contact the board secretary, Wilma Davis at 247-9200 so she can include you on the agenda for the board's next meeting.

During the past year business conducted by the Planning Board consisted of:

- 3 Special Permit hearings
- 2 Site Plan review hearings
- 1 Scenic Road Tree Removal public hearing
- 2 Zone Change public hearings
- 2 Public Hearings for Sub-Division Control By-law
- 3 Endorsements of Plans of Land.

One of the major projects completed last year was a total revision of our Sub-Division Control Regulations. The Planning Board worked with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) to develop a more comprehensive and contemporary set of regulations relative to the development of residential sub-divisions. The board held several meetings with Jessica Allan of the PVPC for reviews and revisions of the proposal, and upon completion of the proposed regulation the board held two public hearings for public input and comment. The Planning Board recently voted to adopt the new Sub-Division Control Regulations developed along the guidelines of Valley Vision 2, the regional land use plan prepared by PVPC to promote "Smart Growth."

The Planning Board also worked with Frank Motyka, DPW Director, and the Conservation Commission to develop a revised Stormwater Management By-law to reflect more stringent state and federal government stormwater management requirements. The voters at the 2008 Annual Town Meeting adopted the proposed by-law.

This year the Planning Board will be working on additional proposed revisions to the Zoning By-laws and perhaps some zoning changes to develop more "Smart Growth" planning—to promote compact mixed use development, promote protection of existing open space and natural resources, and discourage urban sprawl. Another area the Planning Board will address is an amendment to the Zoning By-laws to provide standards for the placement, design and construction of wind electrical generation facilities in designated zoning districts.

The Planning Board members wish to thank the citizens of the Town of Hatfield as well as all the town boards and committees for their help during the past year. We look forward to serving the people of the town in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Cory Bardwell, Chairman  
Robert T. Bartlett, Jr., Clerk  
Paul S. Dostal  
Gregory C. Schurch  
C. Gregory Winters



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following is the annual report from January 1, 2008 thru December 31, 2008

Calls received from all means.....	1072	Well Being Check.....	23
Shots fired .....	4	911 Misdia/Hang up.....	30
Arrests/Warrant arrest.....	34	Medical calls.....	38
Domestic disputes.....	14	Vandalism.....	5
Alarms.....	48	Unattended death.....	2
M/V Accidents.....	18	Suspicious person/mv.....	17
Request for Officer.....	86	Stolen property.....	10
Animal complaints.....	42	MV stops.....	367

### Programs

**Community Policing Grant:** The Community Policing Grant for '08 was in the amount of \$11,299.00. The money from this grant was used to purchase a gun safe for the department. This is used for confiscated weapons from domestic abuse cases as well as other criminal matters involving firearms. The grant was also used to send all part-time officers to in-service training. This training is offered every year but because of budget constraints the part-timers are unable to go that often. Training for both part-time and full time officers is important and mandated by law for annual attendance. The grant was also used to support our TRIAD Program and all its good work for Hatfield's senior citizens.

**Governor's Highway Safety Grant:** The Governor's Highway Safety Grant for '08 was in the amount of \$5,700.00. The money from this grant was used for mobilizations—targeting impaired drivers, aggressive drivers, and enforcing seat belt compliance. A portion of the grant was used for the purchase of two new portable, cordless radar units. Our old units were malfunctioning and being able to get the new ones at no cost to the town was fortunate.

**TRIAD Program:** The TRIAD Program, supported by the Hatfield Police Department, is in its 14<sup>th</sup> year. This program is a senior citizen crime prevention program that seeks to improve quality of life for the elderly. It is overseen by the S.A.L.T. council which has nine members. They are: Richard Mooney, Ann Burda, Kathy Tefft, Don Samms, Virginia Orson, Marion Lapienski, June May, Iris Sawin, Helen Kagan, and John Rankin. I would like to thank all members for their hard work on behalf of Hatfield's elder population. I would also like to thank Jane Betsold, Director of the Council on Aging, for her hard work on behalf of the TRIAD Program since its inception, and for her commitment and dedication to the senior citizens of Hatfield.

**New Full Time Police Officer:** In August a new full time officer was hired. Thomas Sampson has several years of small town police experience. He was hired to work the evening shift. He will be able to follow up investigations to their conclusion during his five-day work week. This was impossible using part time officers working possibly only one shift a week.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all the boards and departments for their assistance throughout the year. I would also like to give a large "thank you" to the people of Hatfield for support of their Police Department. It means a great deal to me and the members of the Hatfield police force.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas J. Osley, Chief of Police

**Department Staff:** Sgt. Timothy Paciorek, Officers: Michael Romano, Michael Hebert, David Sampson, Sgt. Daniel Warner, Raymond Vandaloski, James Purcell, and Thomas Sampson

## RECREATION COMMISSION

To the Residents of Hatfield:

The Recreation Commission would first like to thank a long-term member who retired from our board during 2008. Robert Betsold volunteered endless hours to the youth of our town. His dedication, hard work and honesty have been appreciated by all. He spent numerous hours coaching, refereeing, and umpiring our town youth. He was the driving force behind the forming of our new baseball field and dugouts behind the Hatfield Elementary School. We will miss him and all of his hard work that greatly benefited the Town of Hatfield.

We would also like to express sincere gratitude to all the volunteers and parents for their time and energy that makes our programs rewarding to the youth of this town.

The children of our community were again provided with basketball, soccer, baseball, softball, tee-ball, skiing, and skating programs. A couple highlights of the year include the Hatfield Major League Baseball Team finishing off an undefeated season by capturing the regular season and playoff championships. All fall soccer teams (grades 3 through 6) had successful seasons playing the other teams in the Frontier League. The Hatfield Baseball Team also hosted the Mid Season Classic Baseball Tournament at the end of May.

Two areas the commission would like to improve upon are the storage facility at HES for all the equipment and supplies, and the maintenance and upkeep of our playing fields. The HES field has been an extremely active area for all age groups during the spring, summer and fall months.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Smiarowski, Co-Chairperson

Anna Holhut, Co-Chairperson

Nancy Asai

John Woodward

Robert LaFlamme

Glenn Zygmunt

Francesca McClellan



## HATFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 121B (M.G.L. c. 121B) at its Tuesday, May 8th, 2007 Annual Town Meeting the Town of Hatfield voted to formally establish a redevelopment authority. Its governing members subsequently officially named this entity the Hatfield Redevelopment Authority (hereafter "HRA").

### Governing Board

An appointed five-member board initially governs a redevelopment authority. The Commonwealth, through DHCD, appoints one member recommended by the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to a 3-year term. The other four members were initially appointed by the BOS until the next town election. In May of 2008, going into the second year of the HRA, the following four individuals were elected to the HRA at the annual town elections; a fifth, Tom Rossmassler, was appointed to the HRA by the state for a 3-year term beginning mid-2007. Initial terms are staggered. Subsequent HRA terms shall each be for 5 years.

Michael Cahill – 5 years  
Edward Lesko – 4 years  
Michael Paszek – 2 years  
Harold Green – 1 year

Officers were elected at the HRA's annual meeting in June 2008. Terms are for one year.

Michael Cahill – Chair  
Tom Rossmassler – Vice Chair  
Edward Lesko – Treasurer  
Michael Paszek – Asst. Treasurer  
Harold Green – Secretary Pro Temp

### Meetings

Regular HRA meetings take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 59 Main Street, Hatfield. The following regular/special meetings of the HRA took place in 2008-09:

January 24	May 27	September 30
February 28	June 2 (annual)	October 8
March 4	June 16	October 21
March 13	July 1 & 8	November 18
March 24	July 15	December 16
May 6	August 18	January 20, 2009
May 19	September 16	

Over this period of time, the HRA held discussions about and acted on issues such as:

- Initiated ways of identifying federal and state grant opportunities
- DHCD Peer Person grant eligibility was renewed
- Completed an on-line application information form (AIF) for a CDBG state grant administered by MA DHCD
- Organized and elected new officers after the town election of 4 of its 5 members in May
- Considered the pros and cons of a GIS economic development application
- Secured operational funding through June 30th, 2009
- Modified its HRA By-laws to change days of regular and annual meetings
- Received ongoing advice and counsel from PVPC
- Assisted the BOS with the development of the town's first community development strategy
- Submitted an on-line application for a \$50,000 CDBG Economic Development Fund grant
- Met multiple times with the BOS for economic development updates, public hearings, etc.
- Initiated a economic development community outreach plan
- Initiated the development of an HRA website, to include economic development oriented GIS functionality

In February, 2009 the HRA received official notice from the State Department of Housing and Community Development that the town had, in fact, been awarded an Economic Development Fund grant from the Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant Program of up to \$50,000 to fund a pre-development planning study of a 64 acre site on North Hatfield Road zoned for light industry.

### **2009 HRA Objectives**

HRA has discussed the following aspirations for the coming year:

- Develop/conduct a HRA community outreach program
- Execute the MA DHCD CDBG EDF grant contract
- Oversee and administer the grant, to include:
  - Perform project studies and planning activities as required
  - Identify/utilize consultants to assist; e.g., market analysis, project development, infrastructure needs, build-out, cost analyses, financing needs, community impacts, etc.
  - Present the results of the preliminary study to the community
- Develop an economic development marketing plan
- Create a website to include a GIS-based economic development feature
- Apply for available federal/state grant monies

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Cahill, Chair  
Hatfield Redevelopment Authority

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

To the Residents of Hatfield

The 08-09 school year is one that is focused on maintaining a positive direction as we work on the restructuring of some of the things we do and begin to look at a long term plan for success and sustainability. Educationally, we want to look at how we administer programs for our students and how we can increase capacity in order to continue to have high expectations of ourselves and the children we educate. Professionally, we look to expand our capacity to work on curriculum and instruction so that we can build on what we are currently doing in response to student learning needs.

We must also respond to the challenge we are facing in keeping the Hatfield Public Schools a viable educational opportunity for the residents of the community as well as an attractive option for those who live beyond the Hatfield town borders. With the increased discussions being had in the Governor's office as well as at the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education regarding school district consolidation and regionalization, we must perform our due diligence by investigating all our options and to be prepared to enact sound information based decisions that will continue to serve our children in the best possible manner. Therefore we must continue to deliver an educational product that takes advantage of small class sizes, as well as an environment that is supportive, nurturing, and friendly, while we expand our capacity to give students the educational and experiential opportunities of larger districts.

Finally, facing the most difficult financial environment we have seen in our lifetimes, we have been able to anticipate some of the result of this crisis. By doing so, it is our hope that the immediate effect on the School Department will be as minimal as possible as we prepare ourselves for the FY10 budget year. Long term, we will continue to look for ways to accomplish our responsibilities in more effective and efficient ways.

Over the last five to seven years, the Hatfield school system has faced the challenge of delivering a quality education to its students while managing a fiscal environment which will continue to be challenging at best for the foreseeable future. We also have the ongoing challenge to increase the academic achievement of all our students as the state prepares to raise its standards on MCAS tests and to require all students to pass a new test in Science. Through the support of Town Meeting, and the people of Hatfield, the public schools have remained as one of the highest achieving districts in the state and a very attractive destination for students who do not live in the community.

The Hatfield School Committee, administration, teachers and staff take great pride in educating the children of Hatfield. We will continue to face these challenges and with the continued support of the community we are confident that we will provide the very best for Hatfield's youth.

Sincerely,

Patrice L. Dardenne  
Superintendent of Schools

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

To the Citizens of Hatfield:

During calendar year 2008, the Zoning Board of Appeals held ten regularly scheduled meetings.

The board referred several parties seeking information on specific parts of the Zoning By-Law to the Building Inspector or the Planning Board for appropriate action. The board did not receive any applications for appeals and no public hearings were held.

The Board of Appeals holds regular meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. at Memorial Town Hall, except during July and August. The board holds public hearings for appeals as required.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Nicholas, Chairman  
Michael Paszek, Clerk  
Patrick Gaughan, Member  
Laurence Stoddard, Alternate  
Fredrick Martin, Alternate





## **TOWN OF HATFIELD TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

FIRE	( <u>Emergency only</u> )	911
POLICE	( <u>Emergency only</u> )	911
AMBULANCE	( <u>Emergency only</u> )	911

ABUSE & RAPE CRISIS HOT LINE (Non-emergency)	733-7100
ACCOUNTANT	247-0495
ADMINISTRATIVE ASST. /SELECTMEN	247-0481
AMBULANCE ( <u>Non-emergency</u> )	247-0489
ASSESSORS OFFICE	247-0322
BOARD OF HEALTH	247-0497
BUILDING INSPECTOR	247-0491
COUNCIL ON AGING	247-9003
DPW DIRECTOR	247-0499
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 33 MAIN STREET	247-5010
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	247-0480
FIRE ( <u>Non-emergency</u> )	247-9008
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, 10 STRAITS ROAD	247-5646
HOUSING AUTHORITY, 2 SCHOOL STREET	247-9202
MEMORIAL TOWN HALL, 59 MAIN STREET	247-9200
MEMORIAL TOWN HALL, 59 MAIN STREET	247-9211
MEMORIAL TOWN HALL, 59 MAIN STREET ( <i>Fax Machine</i> )	247-5029
POISON CONTROL CENTER ( <u>Non-emergency</u> )	800-222-1222
POLICE (Non-emergency)	247-0323
PUBLIC LIBRARY, 35 MAIN STREET	247-9097
<i><u>Library Hours:</u> Tues. &amp; Thurs. 10 AM TO 3 PM, Wed. &amp; Fri. 5 PM TO 8 PM, Sat. 9 AM TO 1 PM</i>	
SMITH ACADEMY, 34 SCHOOL STREET	247-5641
STATE POLICE ( <u>Non-emergency</u> )	584-3000
TOWN CLERK/TREASURER	247-0492
TOWN COLLECTOR	247-0496
TRANSFER STATION, 6 STRAITS ROAD ( <i><u>HOURS:</u> Wed. 12 TO 5 PM; Sat. 8 AM To 3 PM</i> )	247-5515
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE MANAGER, 10 STRAITS ROAD	247-0498
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT, 260 MAIN STREET	247-9844
WATER TREATMENT FACILITY, RESERVOIR ROAD	247-5222